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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS.

TO-DAY.

(February 25.)

Legislative Council Meeting, 9.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Orchestral Society Meeting, 8.15 p.m.
Theosophical Society Meeting, 8 p.m.
Study Circle, St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, 9 p.m.
Hong Kong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament—Open Championship Singles: J. Barrow v. F. Hata, W. Wirth v. J. W. Leonard, T. J. White v. F. H. Kwok, Lee Wai Tai v. F. Grose, G. W. Sewell v. A. E. Guest, Tai Wai Pui v. G. Lai, H. D. Runtjahn v. Lee Wai Tong.
Concert at Union Church (Hong Kong) Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Entries Close for Flower and Vegetable Show.
Queen's Theatre: "The Rosary."
King's Theatre: "Ladies of the Big House."
"Zimmy," the legless wonder at King's Theatre.
Central Theatre: "Tarzan the Tiger."
Star Theatre: "Coquette."
World Theatre: "Say It With Songs."
Harrison's Circus at Wanchai, 9.15 p.m.
Ten Dances at King's Restaurant and Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula Hotel, Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant.
European Mail:—Inward. Europe via Suez (Rajputana).

FRIDAY.

(February 26.)

St. Stephen's College Prize-day (Stanley) 3 p.m.
Address to Hong Kong Practical Psychology Club by Mr. Manuk on "Comparative Psychology" at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.
Annual Meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association, St. Andrew's Church Hall, 8 p.m.
Extraordinary General Meeting of The Star Ferry Co., Ltd., at Jardine's Boardroom, 12.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Cricket Club, Tennis Tournament, Open Championships:—Singles: A. H. Harkins v. J. A. Casumbhoy, M. K. Lo v. Y. A. Chitima, E. C. Fincher v. J. Barrow or F. Hata, S. A. Runtjahn v. Tai Yan Pui; Doubles: G. W. Sewell and L. Wright v. Wong Fuk Nam and H. H. Ho, G. A. Noronha and A. A. da Rocha v. T. L. Lu and C. C. Luk; A. R. Minu and A. H. Madar v. W. T. Lee and D. C. Luk, C. F. Hyde and M. W. Turner v. A. V. Remedios and L. A. Ribeiro.
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"THE CURSE OF BEAUTY"

HOW IT IS PASSING FROM THE
CINEMA.

ACTING POWER NEEDED MORE THAN
STATIC LOVELINESS.

Little by little films are exorcising the curse of beauty which hampered the acting of film stars in the days of silent films.

The necessity of talking has gradually created a new school of acting.

When the orchidaceous ladies of the screen had only to pose, or at the most to show how prettily peevish-like tears could course down their lovely cheeks, when their cupid-bow lips had but to curl in well-controlled anguish, and their figures were adroitly posed in graceful lines, then they were indeed dreamers of beauty.

How much of the popularity of the silent films rested on that beauty! Came the day (as subtitled put it) when these paragons of pose had to talk. Even when their voices were pleasant (did not too American, the act of speaking upset all their mannerisms).

They were no longer expansive goddesses, but ordinary mortals, and the acting which the working of dialogue demands either destroyed their beauty or was destroyed by it.

The real actress then came into her own. A woman of mature age (judged by film standards) climbed to the top of the tree.

Ruth Chatterton was a stage actress, and in the old days of the silent films would have been considered too old for a film star. But she made good at once in talking films because she is an actress, and has learned her job on the stage.

WOODEN SILENCE.

Marlene Dietrich, a fascinating woman, but not in the very first flush of youth, suddenly conquered Hollywood. She, like Ruth Chatterton, had had stage experience. These two actresses made the old silent stars seem wooden and inexpressive.

Brigitte Holm, the German star, is to my mind, one of the most beautiful women on the screen. She has not lost her appeal in talking films. Greta Garbo, in spite of her odd, guttural voice, is gradually mastering the new medium but the strange thing is that her face is disappearing. Before she spoke she seemed a goddess come down to live on a commonplace earth.

We have yet to see what Corinne Griffith will do in talking films.

Will she be able to retain her beauty? Nancy Carroll has, but then she has had stage experience in revue.

Sometimes the talking has improved a film star's position. That is the case with Constance Bennett, but she is an exception, and probably could not do herself full justice in films that required nothing more from an actress than the power of posing and of facing a close-up camera without flinching.

Although the curse of beauty has been lifted to some extent, it still has a lingering and paralyzing influence on the making of films.

The chocolate-box ideal of beauty still persists, and even the stars who can speak are tortured into being beautiful.

GLAMOROUS TALLULAH.

Our popular Tallulah Bankhead is a much better actress on the stage than she is on the screen. She has had to conform to the cult of beauty; the curse is on her as on Emma Langi.

Even Ruth Chatterton is not exempt, and Greta Garbo would not be if she were a woman who could be compelled to be other than herself.

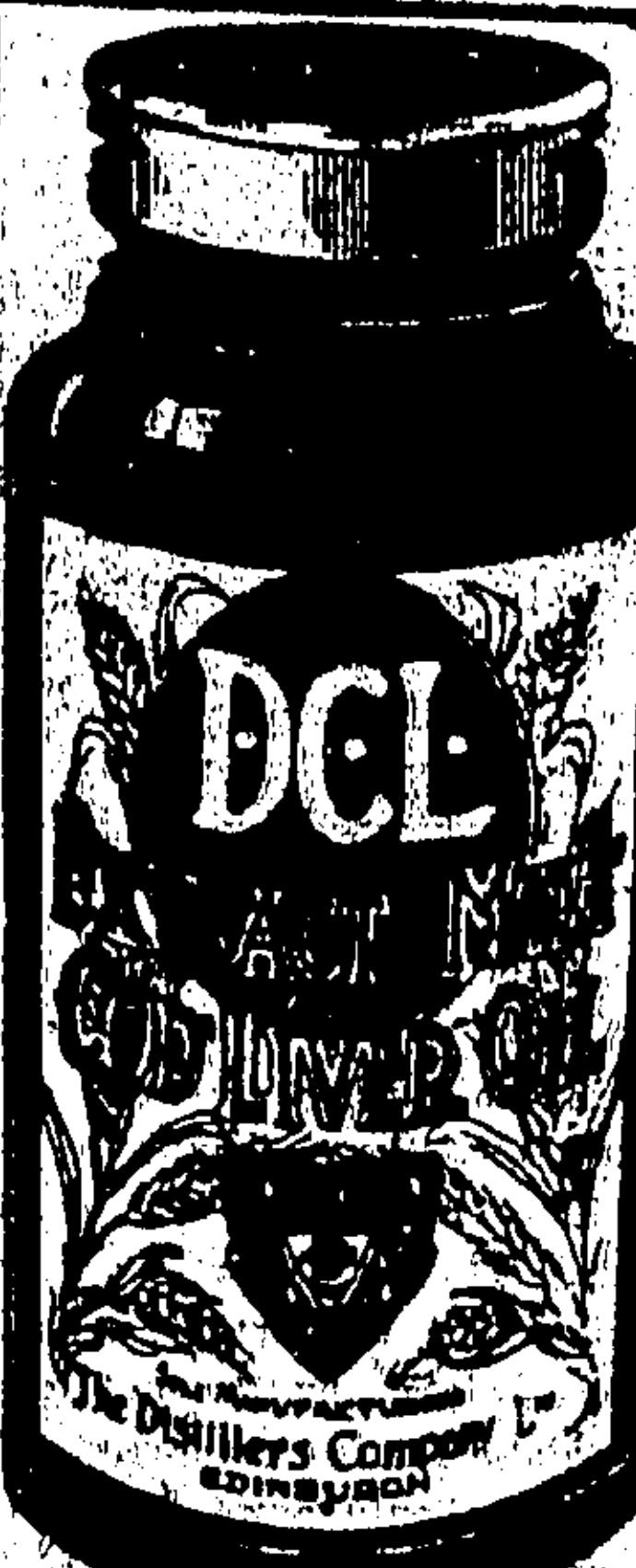
I often wonder what the two Talladges, Norma and Constance, would have done if the dialogue film had come into being earlier in their careers, for both are fine actresses.

Films must really rise above the ideal of static beauty if they are to accomplish anything as dramatic art. For the truth is few of the great actresses have been beautiful in the ordinary sense.

Ellen Terry in her prime was a vision of loveliness, it is true, but her face, with its decided and exaggerated features, would not have passed a camera test for beauty. Nor would Sarah Bernhardt, Rejane or Sarah Siddons (handsome as she was).

In later days, Mrs. Patrick Campbell and Irene Vanbrugh, two of the best of our actresses, would not have satisfied the ideals of the film-fan. None of those famous stage players relied on mere beauty of face. They had character and individuality, and when they acted in emotional scenes they did not think first of all of whether they reached some inhuman standard of beauty. In films, acting is continually being spoiled by having to bear the primeval curse of beauty.

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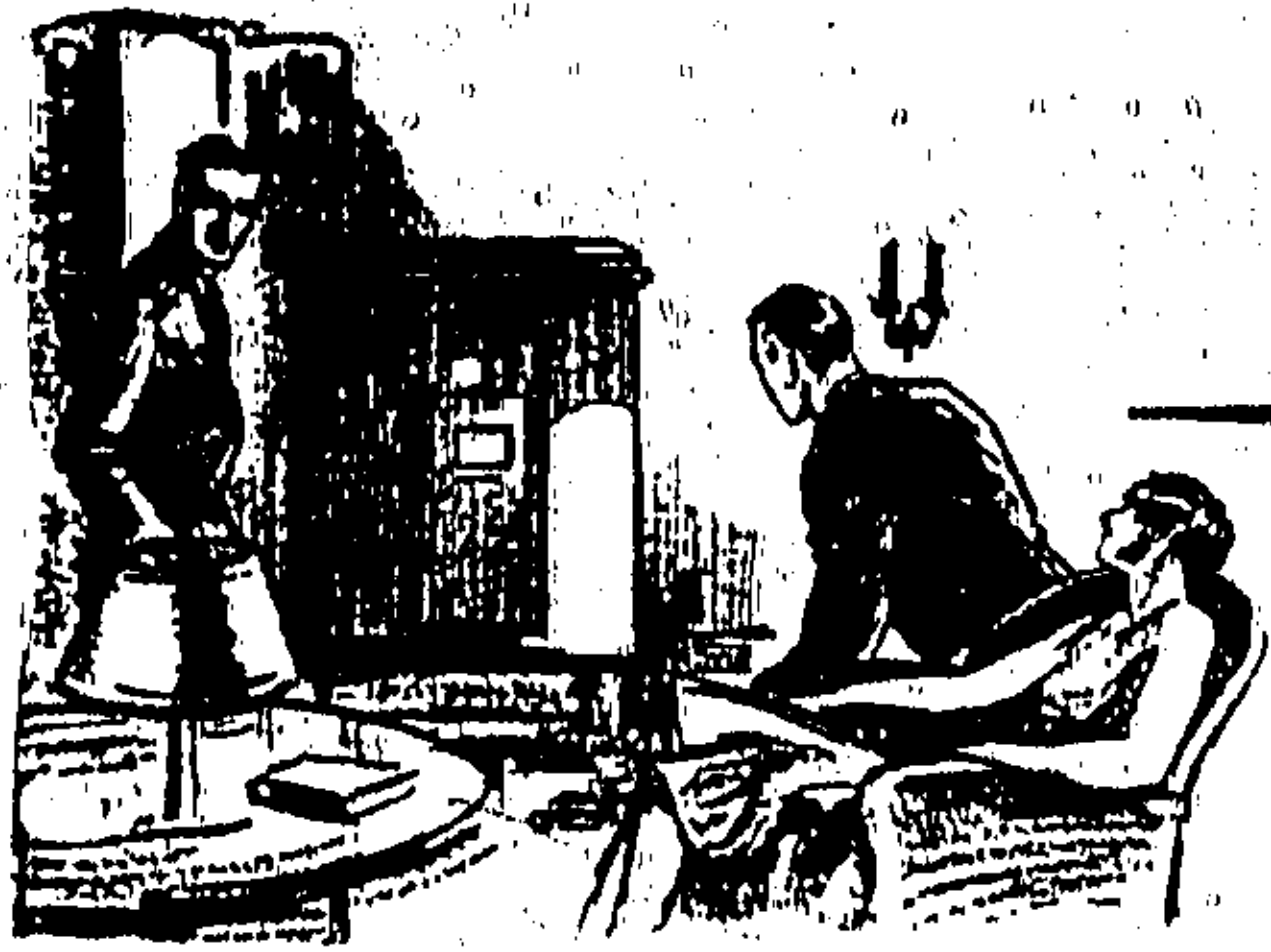
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RADIO FEATURES



RISKS ATTACHED TO RADIO SETS.

A FEW TIPS FOR BEGINNERS.

"Is there any danger attached to the working of a set? Is it possible to get shocks? Is there any danger from lightning and is it quite safe to work from the electric light?"

These are the sort of questions that every set owner has to ask himself when the aerial is overhauled and one tentatively wonders whether there is any danger of lightning (the lightning danger is not confined only to summer time), or when a mains eliminator is installed and there is some doubt as to whether there is any possibility of shocks or short-circuits.

Despite the millions of outdoor aerials which there are in use it is only infrequently one ever hears of a genuine case of an outdoor wire being struck by lightning, and then generally because that particular aerial was not earthed at the time and because there was no other adjacent metal. Direct "hits" by lightning are possible only during fierce summer lightning storms.

There is an atmospheric danger which exists all the year round, however, and it is quite likely to be serious during heavy rains. Rain is frequently charged with electricity, and many users of sets, having an air dielectric, present condenser in the aerial lead, find that when rain is falling on the aerial, small sparks jump across the condenser insulation.

Static Charges.

These sparks are the result of the charging up of the aerial from the static potential of the raindrops. This potential builds up slowly until the value is so great that the current jumps the small air gap of the aerial condenser. If a "safety valve" is not provided, the insulation of the tuning side of the set may be damaged. It is believed that these static discharges are often the cause of cracked aerial insulators and broken lead-in tubes.

The trouble is hardly ever likely to occur with indoor aerials, and

certainly not with frame aerials, but possessors of outdoor wires should make a point of fitting a safety spark gap, or, better still, an aerial-earth switch, as close to the lead-in as possible. This may not be an efficient protection against big lightning discharges, but it certainly will prevent the set from being harmed by static discharges.

The other "risks" in a set are much more definitely under control; in fact with a carefully constructed set, there should be no possibility of shocks or short-circuits. If the set works from batteries, then all sorts of trouble can be obviated by the provision of a safety fuse. A fuse of this description should preferably be of the screw-in bulb type, for it gives a visual indication when it "blows" and fuses of this variety are cheaper to buy and fit easily in standard screw type bulb sockets.

Where to Place a Fuse.

The best place for a fuse in a battery set is in the negative high-tension connection. A similar fuse may be fitted in a mains-driven set and it is also advisable to provide a fuse on the mains input side. These can be of a different type and it is necessary to have one fuse in each mains lead so that no matter which wire is above earth, the receiver is adequately protected.

Both with battery and mains-driven sets there is the possibility of getting shocks if the working of the anode circuits is not properly realised. In the average set, there are at least two condensers which have the full mains voltage across them.

If these have a value exceeding 1 mfd. then they will be found capable—if the insulation is good—of holding an appreciable amount of electricity for perhaps several minutes. Thus, if the mains supply is switched off and no other

circuit is provided, there is the danger that, if the hands are placed inside the cabinet, to make some adjustment to the circuit, a shock may be felt if the condenser terminals are touched.

This is often experienced with with mums-sets, the condensers of which generally have a very large capacity and hold sufficient electricity to give quite a bright spark if directly short-circuited within a few minutes after switching off the power. No harm will be done to the condensers by this short-circuiting, but the shock experienced may be considerable.

This trouble can be minimised by making sure of cutting off the high-tension supply before the filaments are switched off. Most of the condensers will then have an opportunity of discharging through the filament anode paths, in the valves. It does not follow that all the condensers will be discharged in this way, and if you want to carry out any adjustment to the set in perfect safety, you should first—having switched off the high and low tension—short circuit each condenser in turn with a length of flex.

With home-made mains apparatus, there is a chance that a wrong connection on the earth side will cause a short-circuit. An incorrect connection in the unit itself is easy to trace, but it is not always so easy to trace the external mains wiring. This potential danger is greater with the direct current systems than with alternating-current mains. Some direct-current wiring systems have the negative wire connected to earth and some have the positive wire connected to earth. If these little points are watched, then there need never be any fear of radio "risks."

A REMEDY FOR FADING.

Fluctuations in signal strength due to fading are minimised in commercial long-distance, signalling by what is termed "automatic gain control," in which the rectified out-

put from the detector valve is used to regulate the grid-bias on the first H.F. amplifier, so that, as the signal strength falls off, the H.F. valve is automatically made more "sensitive" and vice versa. The idea of compensating for fading has recently been incorporated in American broadcast receivers, and will no doubt find its way over here.

Fading control is distinguished from ordinary volume-control by the fact that it operates solely to maintain the input of carrier wave at a constant strength. It does not affect the degree of modulation, so that the relative loudness of different passages in a given transmission is left unaltered, so long as the carrier-wave is being received.

ARMCHAIR ACTORS.

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OPTIMISM IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.

The Czechoslovak radio authorities seem determined to please listeners, and they have copied the idea first tried out in Denmark. They have just issued a form which is to be filled up by radio listeners. Questions are to be answered regarding the popularity of each type of broadcast. It is not compulsory, as in Denmark.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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11. to 11.30 a.m.—Stock and exchange quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese recorded programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news, mail notices, etc.
2 p.m.—Close down.
3 to 5 p.m.—European programme.
5 to 5.40 p.m.—

A Concert.

Organ Solo—"Faust"—Waltz (Gounod)—Edward O'Henry—B2973.
Song—"Little Brown Owl" (Sanderson)—Mavis Bennett (Soprano)—B2199.
Piano Solos—"Etudes, Op. 10" (Chopin) (No. 11 in E Flat)—No. 12 in C Minor).
Piano Solos—"Etudes, Op. 25" (Chopin) (No. 1 in A Flat Major)—No. 12 in C Minor).
Song—"I Know of Two 'Bright Eyes'" (Chittam).
Song—"New Sleeps the Crimson Petal" (Quilter)—Derek Oldham (Tenor).
Organ Solo—"Spirit of the Dance" (Ewing)—Edward O'Henry—B3436.
Song—"Wait" (D'Hardelot)—John Turner (Tenor)—B2905.
Piano Solos—"Etudes, Op. 25" (Chopin) (No. 10 in A Flat Major)—No. 9 in F Minor).

Piano Solos—"Etudes, Op. 25" (Chopin) (No. 2 in F Minor)—No. 14 in A Minor)—Wilhelm Bachaus.—B2995.

5.40 to 6.10 p.m.—Children's concert from the Studio.

6.10 to 7 p.m.—

Symphony No. 5, "From the New World" (Dvorak Op. 95) played by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.—M-1.

7 p.m.—Stock quotations, mail notices, etc.

7.03 to 7.44 p.m.—

Variety.

Humorous Dialogue—"Getting a Motor."

Humorous Dialogue—"Getting a Wife."—Constance Collier and Ronald Squire.—C1640.

Orchestral—"Honolulu Sweetheart of Mine."

Orchestral—"Along Miami Shore."—Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.—B2830.

Humorous Dialogue—"My Wireless Set."—John Henry and "Blossom"—B2156.

Song—"Just Keepin' On."—Paul Robeson (Bass).—B3190.

Organ Solo—"Make Believe."—You?—Edward O'Henry.—B2662.

Vocal Trio—"There's Room in my Heart."—Walter Glynn, Sydney Coltham and George Baker.—B3201.

Song—"Pence of Mind."—Gene Austin (Tenor).

7.44 to 8 p.m.—"Sonata No. 1" (Debussy) played by May Harrison and Arnold Bax (Violin and Piano).—C1749/C1760.

8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.

8.03 to 10.00 p.m.—Chinese concert from the Studio.

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370.4	Calcutta	V.U.G.	809.9
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480	Manila	K.Z.R.M.	625

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41.8	Singapore	V.S.I.A.B.	7,310	Not regular
38.8	Kootwijk (Holland)	P.O.L.	7,780	Daily 11 p.m.
37.	Bangkok (Siam)	H.S.4.P.J.	8,108	Tues. & Fri., 9 p.m.—1 a.m.
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LOST EXPLORER.

CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE TO SCOUR ARCTIC.

As soon as travelling conditions in Canada's far northern islands permit, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will resume the search for Dr. H. K. E. Krueger, the German scientist, and his Danish assistant, Mr. R. A. Bjørn, who have been missing since 1930 somewhere north-west of Ellesmere Island in the Canadian Arctic.

Two parties will leave Canada's farthest north police post of Bache Peninsula in March, 1932, to carry on scientific investigations in the area north and west of Ellesmere Island. Two of the natives returned to the post on April 11, bearing letters from the leader of the expedition, in which he stated that, if the party did not return in August, as they originally intended, they were likely to do so when travelling conditions improved later in the year.

These communications were also accompanied by a sketch map of the route which the party intended to follow. This map will be the basis for the proposed extensive search.

REMARKABLE ACCIDENT.

SKIER HANGED IN POACHER'S SNARE.

Berlin, Jan. 11.—A noose fastened to a pine tree by a poacher in the hope of trapping a hare has caused the death of an unknown ski-runner near Bösing in Czechoslovakia.

The man apparently fell as he was skiing down the slope and his head slipped into the noose. He was unable to stop himself from rolling over, the noose pulled tight, and he was strangled.

JAPANESE ATTACK FAILS

(Continued from Page 9.)

The Chinese are also moving troops in this direction and both are seeking to outflank the other. The general view of the situation to-day is that the Japanese military machine, despite all its modern implements of war, will find it definitely impossible to push back the stubbornly resisting Chinese troops until considerable reinforcements have arrived from Japan.

The splendid morale of the Chinese soldiers, despite hideous punishment, is one of the most remarkable features of this strange war without a declaration.

HOSPITAL SCENE

A Rauter's representative also paid a visit to-day to a new military hospital, and under the escort of youthful Chinese nurses, some not more than sixteen years of age, asked a roomful of wounded "boy" soldiers, all members of Chiang Kai-shek's National Guard, the division which has borne the brunt of the Japanese attack and which has earned so much congratulatory comment, if they wanted to fight.

Back came shouts from every bed: "When they let us go, we shall go straight back into the line. We are fighting for our freedom."

NO PRISONERS!

It is a notable feature of the war that neither side is claiming to have taken any prisoners, which is indicative of the sanguinary nature of the struggle.

Snow is at present falling, adding to the difficulties of the side which adopts the offensive.

The position at Woosung shows no change. The Japanese have continued their bombardments and have several times attempted to take the Chinese positions a storm, but the Chinese are still holding the Forts and the north bank of the Woosung Creek.

HUMAN BOMBS

In his Orders of the Day, General Uyeda praises the self-sacrifice of three Japanese privates who acting as human bombs, binding high explosives to their bodies, flung themselves at the Chinese barbed wire defences, clearing a gap for their comrades to follow.

MUNITIONS FOR JAPAN

CHARGES AGAINST U.S. MANUFACTURERS

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE]

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.

Every effort is being made by the Government to discourage public enquiry into the supply of arms and ammunition to combatants in the Far East, though to-day accusations were made in the House of Representatives.

According to the correspondent of the *Baltimore Sun*, informal discussions have been proceeding between the State Department and the British and French Governments, as a result of which the correspondent states, it has been agreed to discourage all Parliamentary discussion of sale of munitions to Japan and to China.

FIGURES REFUSED

He further declares that the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives has agreed not to hold a public hearing of a resolution authorizing the President to place an embargo upon the shipment of munitions to the belligerents, and adds that the State Department has refused figures of U.S. shipments of munitions to Japan.

The State Department's attitude is causing much speculation in view of the fact that it was previously reported that Mr. H. L. Stimson was in favour of bringing economic pressure upon Japan in order to bring peace to the Far East.

It is, incidentally, reported from Kopeh, Virginia, that five ships, are loading nitrate for Japan. It is also reported here that munitions works in France and Czechoslovakia are making large sales to Japan.

Charges that United States munitions manufacturers and bankers have been aiding the Japanese against the Chinese were made in the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee to-day.

CHINA TURNED DOWN

The accuser was Mr. Paul Linebarger, of Washington, who described himself as the legal advisor to the Chinese Nationalist Government.

He said that munitions to the value of \$218,000,000 were recently sold to Japan with the assistance of United States bankers, while he was unable to obtain similar aid for China.

AMERICAN PILOT KILLED

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24.

A twenty-seven-year old American, Mr. Robert Short, a pilot with a reputation for dare-devilry, was the solitary occupant of the Chinese 'plane which was shot down by Japanese machines at Soochow yesterday.

The somewhat startling news is contained in official reports received by the local Chinese aviation authorities.

"DARE-DEVIL BOB"

"Dare-Devil Bob" Short, who was fatally injured in the crash, was the employee of an American aeroplane concern, and was at one time connected with the Chinese Bureau of Aeronautics.

In the course of last year, he went to Tokyo in order to attempt a non-stop Trans-Pacific flight but eventually abandoned the flight.

It is stated that he had only delivered the machine in which he was killed about a week ago.

TWO THEORIES

There are two theories regarding the occasion for his death. The first is that he took the machine into the air to pilot it to Nanjing and that when he saw the Japanese planes he engaged them of his own accord from sheer love of adventure.

The second is that he joined the Chinese air squadron for the express purpose of fighting Japanese planes.

The machine in which he was killed was the latest type of American pursuit plane.

A JAPANESE PROTEST

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24.

It is learned that the Japanese authorities intend to lodge a protest as regards an American piloting the machine which was shot down at Soochow.



THE LATE MR. SHORT.

The above photo shows Bob Short, the first foreign casualty in the Chinese ranks. Bob Short was shot down by the Japanese when Chinese planes came in combat with Japanese fighting planes.

From reliable flying authorities here, it is learned that Mr. Short came to China from the United States and began working with the L.E. Gale Company, who maintain a branch office here, as chief pilot. Mr. Short became adviser on aviation to the Nanking Government, which position he held for about four months.

Mr. Short received his training in the United States Air Corps and held a commission in the United States Reserve.

Mr. Short was well known in flying circles in China and was famous for his reckless daring. During the Nanking Aviation Conference he took first place for aerial acrobatics in competition with all the foreign pilots in China.

NEW CAMPAIGN IN MANCHURIA

EXPEDITION AGAINST GEN. TING CHAO

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Feb. 23.

It is officially announced that the Japanese forces in Manchuria are launching a punitive expedition against the troops of General Ting Chao, who are alleged to be looting at various points along the eastern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway.

This, it is stated, is seriously endangering the lives and property of Japanese and Korean residents, who have, accordingly, requested protection.

TO SAFEGUARD JAPANESE INTERESTS

MUKDEN, Feb. 24.

The main part of the Japanese division at Harbin has been sent to Linopio, an important city on the Chinese Eastern Railway, a hundred miles to the east of Harbin, "for safeguarding Japanese inhabitants."

MINERS' HOURS CONVENTION

BRITAIN FAVOURS RATIFICATION

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 23.

Answering a Parliamentary question to-day, the Secretary for Mines, Mr. Isaac Foot, stated that the Government were favourably disposed towards the International Convention for Miners' Hours.

Detailed application of some of its provisions to British coal mines presented certain problems which were under consideration. As soon as these points had been disposed of the Government would be prepared to ratify the Convention, provided other six countries would do so at the same time.

Answering a further question, he said the Government held that the question of simultaneous ratification should be dealt with before the subsidiary difficulties were brought under consideration.

MISLEADING TEA LABELS.

POSSIBILITY OF PROSECUTION

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 23.

Misleading tea labels, implying that the contents are of Empire origin, whereas they are partly foreign-grown, were the subject of a question raised in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, replying said that he was unable to recommend an order under the Merchandise Marks Act in the case of blended teas owing to technical difficulties.

He pointed out, however, that the use of misleading labels was an offence and the interested parties could prosecute if they thought fit.

SUBMARINE HERO

KING INVESTS C.P.O. WILLS WITH THE ALBERT MEDAL

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 23.

His Majesty the King held the first investiture of the year at Buckingham Palace to-day and among those decorated was Chief Petty Officer Willis, who received the Albert Medal for great heroism displayed in the "Poseidon" submarine disaster.

After the ceremony, C.P.O. Willis had private audience of the King, who talked with him for several minutes.

A large crowd cheered Willis as he left the Palace.

The official description of his deed recalls how, in the darkness of the sunken and slowly flooding submarine, he ordered the men in his compartment to put on escape apparatus kept up their spirits, and by his coolness, confidence and ability and power of command in a desperate situation saved most of their lives.

ARREST OF TRADE UNIONIST

BRITAIN UNABLE TO INTERVENE

[REUTERS AND BRITISH WIRELESS.]

LONDON, Feb. 23.

Questioned by members of the Labour Party in the House of Commons to-day, in regard to the arrest by Chinese authorities of Mr. Ruegge, one of the organisers of the Pan-Pacific Trade Union, Captain Anthony Eden said that the British Government had no authority to intervene as Ruegge is not a British subject.

BRITISH COAL

FRENCH SURTAX TO BE LIFTED

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 23.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman, informed the House of Commons to-day that a decree was issued in Paris this morning whereby the 15 per cent. surtax on British coal will be withdrawn as from Thursday.

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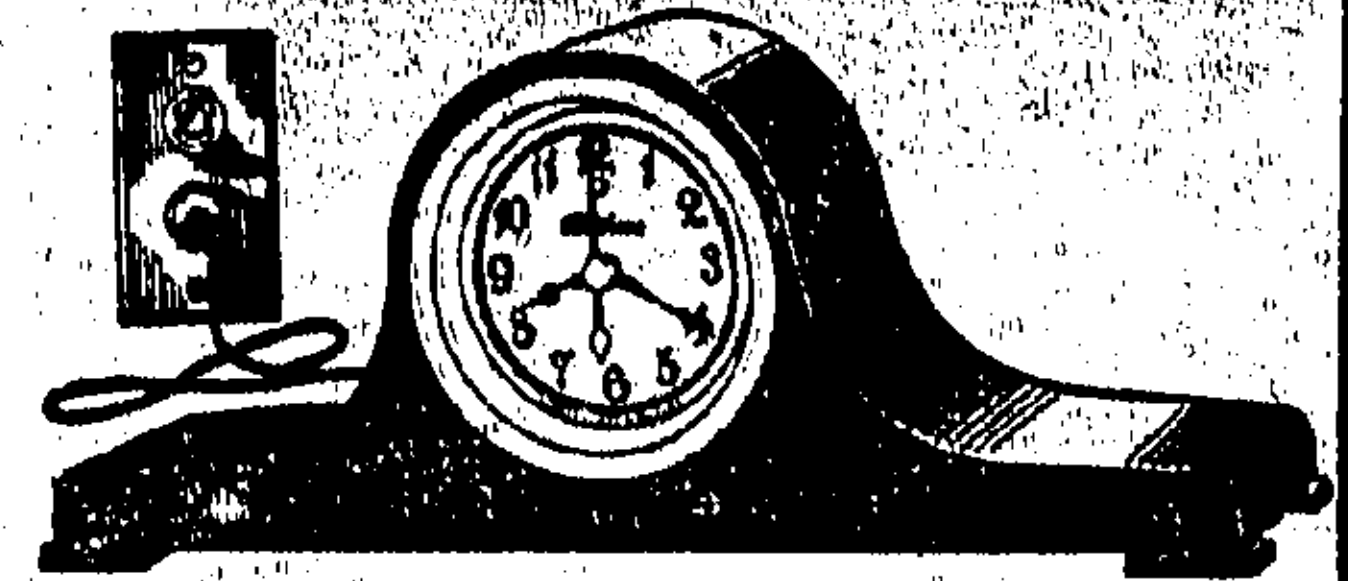
COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY P.M.G.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 23.

The Postmaster General has appointed a committee consisting of Lord Bridgeman (Chairman), Lord Plender to inquire and report as to whether any changes in the constitution, status or system of organisation of the Post Office would be in the public interest.

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BURMA FUTURE IN BALANCE

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, Feb. 23.

Asked in the House of Commons to-day whether the House would have an opportunity in the present session to discuss the report of the Burma Round Table Conference and the Government's declaration of policy on constitutional advance in Burma, Mr. Baldwin said the question was of great importance both to Burma and the Empire as a whole.

He agreed that it ought to come before Parliament, but it would be preferable to defer the Commons debate until the people of Burma had recorded their decision on the question of separation from India, because on that depended the policy of the Government.

IMPORT DUTIES BILL

ADDITIONS TO THE FREE LIST.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 23.

An extension of the "free list" under the Import Duties Bill was announced by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons to-day.

The goods now freed from the general tariff include maize, pearls, semi-precious stones, platinum, all animal hair, espartagones, potatoes, ores of all kinds, copper, coal, coke and British-produced whale oil.

Without employment.

In some of the troubled periods it was detached for police duties and the men did valuable street patrol work. Then a Russian Volunteer Company was added, and eventually the Detachment took on a second Company.

Now the three units have been combined as the Russian Regiment, commanded by Major H. H. Thieme, who has a number of other experienced officers under him. This Regiment has already taken over most of the Central District patrols and pickets, and from to-day will do all such work wherever required.

Call for Interpreters.

While the Shanghai Volunteer Corps will, from to-day, be responsible for internal security duties in the Central area, the duties of and the demand for interpreters for the Regular forces will be increased to a greater extent. So far, military and civilian interpreters have been provided of Chinese Company, S.V.C., for posts with the various foreign Regular forces, both in internal and external lines. As a result of to-day's relief, however, more civilian and military interpreters are urgently needed.

THE S.V.C. LEAVE THE LINE.

NOW ON PRECAUTIONARY MOBILISATION.

INTERPRETERS MUCH IN DEMAND.

Shanghai, Feb. 19.—The Volunteers to-day really are coming away from active service, even to giving up entirely that treasured section of the front line, "Windy Sector," which, already manned in large part by the 21st U.S. Infantry, is to be handed over to them altogether. Released from their military duties, those two so energetic units, the Shanghai Scottish and the Armoured Cars, already have arranged for a recommencement of sporting activities and on Sunday will play a Rugby match.

The new scheme does not amount to demobilisation, for all units of the S.V.C. will remain on precautionary mobilisation, ready at the shortest notice to assemble again for active service, but, as regards the infantry units, they will be released practically in their entirety for civilian duties. The Light Horse, the Armoured Cars, and the two gun batteries (the latter, as previously stated, are brigaded with the Hongkong and Singapore Batteries as the 1st Shanghai Light Battery, with headquarters at the Race Course) will remain at the disposal of the Brigadier, who probably will continue to use them, as now, for patrol work. It is expected, however, that even these patrols will be very light and that most of the men will be released for lengthy periods, or at frequent intervals.

Central District Duty.

The infantry units of the S.V.C. will establish posts at various convenient buildings, mostly in the Central District. In each of these they will maintain permanent pickets of probably no more than a noncommissioned officer and perhaps six men, the idea being that the units will be able more quickly to rally on these posts, should their services be required, instead of having to go long distances to their usual mobilisation centres. Assembled at these posts, they can then be transported to wherever they may be required.

All the other guard and picket duties will be undertaken by the Russian Regiment, reinforced by a number of Special Reserves recruited mainly from the ranks of Hongkong residents who have lost their property and means of livelihood. The Russian Regiment is an interesting innovation which has developed from the original Russian Detachment, which, for several years has been the pride of all Shanghai people who have an eye for smart and efficient soldiers. It was first recruited as a professional Company of the S.V.C. and consisted of Russian veterans of the Great War who were in Shanghai.

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GOLD RUSH IN KENYA.

400 EUROPEANS SEEK THEIR LUCK.

SCOURING RIVULETS.

Considerable interest has been aroused at Nairobi, Kenya, in the recent discoveries of gold at Kakamega, and although they are not to be compared with the great finds in the past in the Klondike and Australian fields, there is reason to believe that the alluvial deposits are more extensive than was at first surmised.

Kakamega lies 80 miles north of Kisumu, the railroad on the north-eastern shore of Lake Victoria. The workings have been confined to rivulets feeding the River Yala, and it would be hard to guess that the hot valleys even now shelter 400 European prospectors and their attendant natives. Prospectors' licences cost only a few shillings, and there is a tax of 10s. levied on each claim staked.

Little wonder that many farmers, tired of growing maize to feed the locusts, have turned their eyes to Kakamega, and set out in their lorries for the goldfields by way of Eldoret and Kisumu.

Impassive Natives.

It is thought that richer deposits, and even nuggets, will be discovered when the workings have been further developed.

At present, the new prospector stakes his claim on a certain stream and spends the first few days clearing the rich alluvial deposit from the gold streak, which may be one or two feet below the surface. Then, having constructed his channel for washing, he begins operations in earnest. The gold streak may be two or three feet thick, but below that the bed of the stream yields nothing.

The happy-go-lucky prospector on his arrival is moved to mirth rather than anger by the keenness and chicanery of the local peasantry, vying amongst themselves to guide the "bwana" to the richest gold deposits, each man emboldened by the prospect of a lucrative trade in vegetables, eggs, and milk, paying more regard to the position of his family hearth than any minor consideration of "yellow stuff" and the points of the compass.

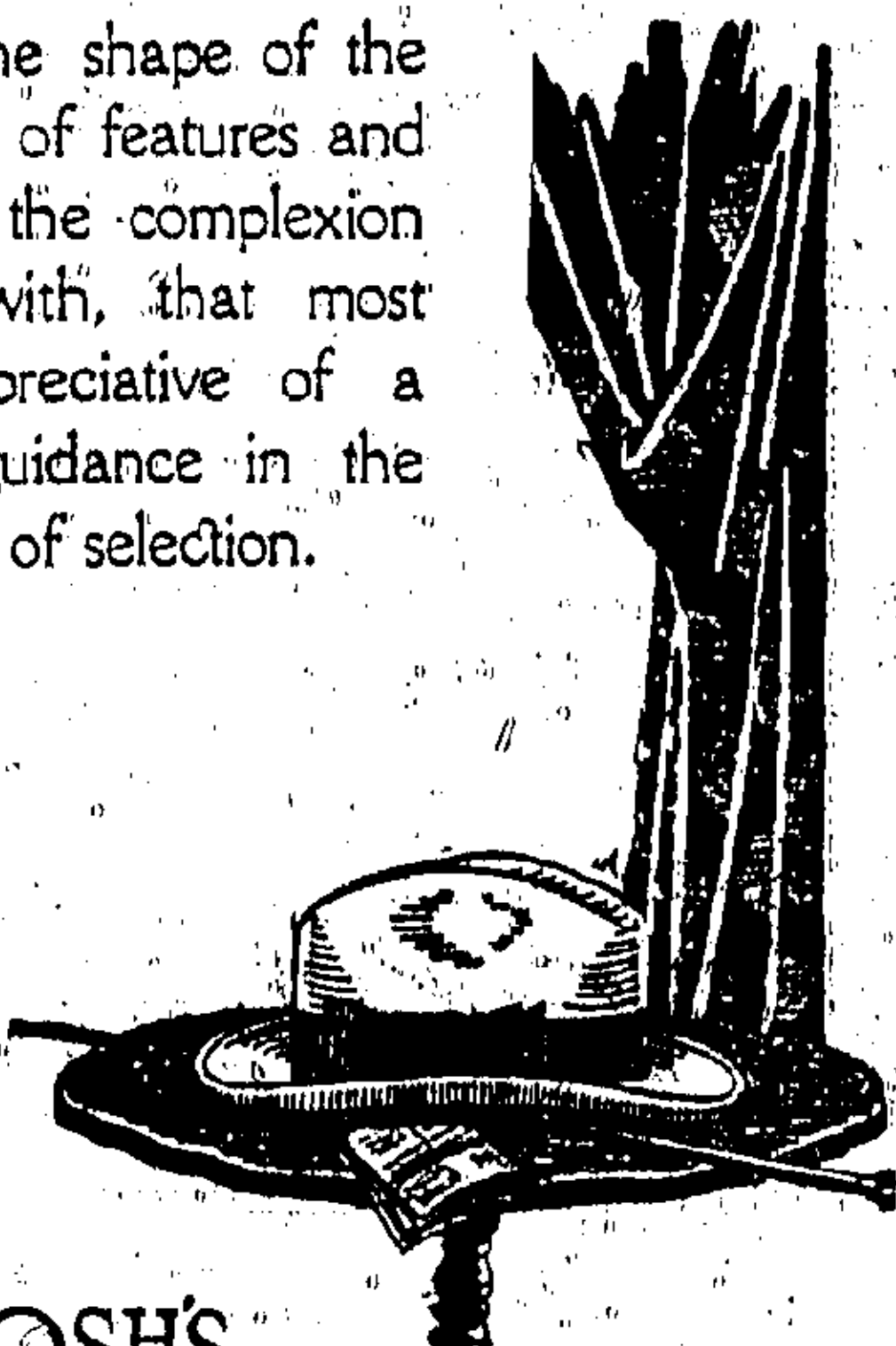
Perhaps the optimistic prospector—and what man in Kenya is not an optimist?—will eventually become discouraged, and better prices for produce will persuade him to return to his farm.

Certain it is that the Kavirondo natives, at present rejoicing in an abundance of goats and cattle, but as always, grinningly impatient to everything—even to famine—will be quite unperturbed if these good things are suddenly denied them, and will resort to their ready philosophy: "Mrungus go, but we go on for ever."



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DIANA BAY WINS CHAMPIONS AGAIN

THIRD CONSECUTIVE WIN FOR MR. DUNBAR'S REMARKABLE PONY: FULL DETAILS OF RACE BELOW.

MR. Y. S. CHANG RIDES FIVE WINNERS YESTERDAY TO HEAD LIST OF SUCCESSFUL JOCKEYS.

KING'S BOUNTY WINS LADIES' PURSE IN FAST TIME.

(BY "MORNING DEW.")

Unbeaten since her first appearance in Hong Kong as a Derby griffin in 1930, Diana Bay yesterday performed the feat of winning comfortably for the third time in succession the Champions Stakes. The pony had no difficulty whatever in winning the race and unless something goes radically wrong with her next year, it looks as though she will set a record that will be practically impossible to beat. Full details of yesterday's Champions will be found below.

Mr. Y. S. Chang won the Ladies' Purse on King's Bounty, avenging his defeat by Cyclamen Bay earlier in the meeting. Mr. Chang was the most successful jockey of the day, riding no less than five winners.

Racing Boy once again proved that he is by far the outstanding pony in the subscription griffins, class by winning Sports Club Cup and Hong Kong Stakes over a mile and a half without the slightest effort. At Mr. Y. S. Chang rides him on Saturday in the race for the Sub-Champions he is a moral "cert."

MR. BUTLER RIDES KING'S JUSTICE TO VICTORY.

There was nothing exciting in the first two races, but the race for the Ladies' Purse was a real thriller. Following his defeat earlier in the meeting by Cyclamen Bay, the public were anxious to see how King's Bounty would figure over a slightly shorter race. Mr. Chang who rode him, took no chances with Cyclamen Bay and stayed behind him until the straight was reached when King's Bounty was asked for an effort and he responded beautifully to win the race.

In the Adelaide Stakes, Kilrea won from a field of eleven ponies. Manna finished second following a bad start, and it is certain that if the pony had got well away with the rest of the field, he would have won the race. In this race Westland Stag threw Mr. Quincey just after the start, and running all by himself was many lengths in front of the field at the finish.

THE JOCKEY CUP.

Mr. Butler won a good race with King's Service to win the Jockey Cup from Tom, ridden by Mr. Corbett. Tom was about equal in demand as the winner and both were well in the picture all the way. Mr. Butler, however, had far more in hand when the straight was reached and won comfortably. Tom finished second in front of Tiana, ridden by Mr. Fung.

City of Melbourne ridden by Mr. Dallas proved to be a big disappointment in the Blue Mountains Plate over a mile and a quarter which was won by Sunlight. Mr. Frost sent his winner to the lead almost from the start and it was never headed. Lucy Glitters and Friar Tuck filled the other places and City of Melbourne, after making a brave effort to get into the picture just before reaching the straight, was well beaten before the Distance Post was reached.

Mr. Clark won a good race with Dee in the Lusitano Cup over a mile. Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Princess Hall was well fancied but the pony was found wanting in the straight, the seven pounds penalty telling against him. Satisfied with the pace set by the rest of the field, both Clark and Dallas waited until the Rock was reached before fighting out the issue. Dallas sent Princess Hall out to the front while Dee did likewise. Mr. Clark, having to decide between coming through on the rails and being blocked, or pulling out and thus losing ground. He decided to burst through on the rails and by the time the Distance Post was reached was level with Princess Hall. In a thrilling fight for the verdict Dee won by a neck. Blue Star, ridden by Mr. Li, was a good third, being a head behind Princess Hall.

THE CHAMPIONS.

There were five starters in the Champions, these being Diana Bay (Hill), Wild Life (Tung), Doctor's Mandate (Wong), Gay Crusader (Heard) and Sadko (Dallas). When the gate went up Gay Crusader shot out into the lead and entering the straight for the first time was several lengths ahead of Sadko and Diana Bay with Wild Life and Doctor's Mandate bringing up the rear two further lengths behind.

The last two ponies never had a look in and did not figure in the race at all.

Gay Crusader was leading by six lengths at the Six Furlongs Post with Diana Bay and Sadko, together, second. The lead was reduced to two lengths a furlong further on and by the time the half mile post was reached Diana Bay was within half a length of the leader with Sadko still two lengths behind. The time for the first three quarters of a mile was 1 minute 29 seconds. The next quarter mile saw both Diana Bay and Gay Crusader together, the time for the mile being just under 2 minutes. When one takes into consideration the wet state of the course and the consequent heavy going, it is easy to realise what a wonderful race had been put up by Gay Crusader so far. But thereafter the pace was too much for him and Diana Bay went on by himself to win as he liked.

Meanwhile an interesting fight for second place between Gay Crusader and Sadko followed. Sadko, in spite of the fierce pace set earlier on, was not shaken off and he joined and actually passed Gay Crusader at the Distance Post, but Mr. Heard on Gay Crusader realising that Sadko must be as tired as his mount made a successful attempt to get the second place, finishing a length in front of Sadko, both ponies being all out.

Racing Boy, Bistre and Philander was the order in which the Hong Kong Stakes candidates finished. In the last race of the day Hetman won from Coronation Eve to pay even money to his supporters. Hetman is obviously not the same pony he was at the last annual meeting when he finished second behind Diana Bay in the Champions.

From the jockey's table appended below, it will be seen Mr. Y. S. Chang rode the most winners during the meeting with Hill second (the local champion) third.

RESULTS.

1.—Leighton Hill Stakes.

Mr. S. A. Lopez' Little Gem (Mr. Clark) 1
Mr. Rain's The Rainstorm (Mr. Dallas) 2
Mr. A. M. L. Soares' (Ghost Train) (Mr. Noody) 3
Won by three quarters of a length; one length between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 33.3 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$33.70.
Places: \$12.00; \$6.00; \$24.40.
Betting.

Winner. Place.	Dee (Wong)	The Shekpan (Bonham)	Amoy (G. Roz)	Epsy (Ip Kui Ying)	Mausie (Noronha)	Goé Gao (Liang)	Man Ko Po (Li)	Jimmy (Roth)	Daul Whiddon (Chang)	Whoopee (Butler)	Kaukap (Charles)	Ghost Train (Noody)	The Slump (S. C. Chang)	Loch Ness (Heard)	The Rainstorm (Dallas)	Ochlerlong (Proulx)	Sunbeam (Corbett)	Maikit (Botelho)	The Curlew (Frost)
33	127	7	185	59	35	3	58	29	35	15	23	59	10	47	431	1	50	22	23

1.—Grand Stand Stakes.

Mrs. Penrose's Weybridge (Mr. Chang) 1
Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's (Mr. Clark) 2
Mr. Eve's Snappy Eve (Mr. Heard) 3
Won by two lengths; one length between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 30 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$10.70.
Places: \$5.70; \$12.10; \$18.70.
Betting.

Winner. Place.	Tontine (Wong)	White Jade Stag (Quincey)	Weybridge (Chang)	Mon. Talisman (Noody)	Don (Clark)	Cabinet Hall (Dallas)	Snappy Eve (Heard)	Devon (Liang)	Kate (Li)	Beauty Spot (Ip Kui Ying)	Indiana (Roth)	The Cadwall (Frost)	Bluebells (Botelho)	Punch (Kearnsman)	Spring Fever (Rafael)
336	405	861	14	147	29	98	4	149	5	20	34	6	20	6	

3.—Ladies' Purse.

Mr. Dynasty's King's Bounty (Mr. Chang) 1
Mr. Dunbar's Cyclamen Bay (Mr. McCann) 2
Mr. Eve's Boxing Eve (Mr. Charles) 3
Won by three quarters of a length; three lengths between second and third.
Time: 1 min. 47.2 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$6.20.
Places: \$5.10; \$5.10; \$5.10.
Betting.

Winner. Place.	Cyclamen Bay (McCann)	Boxing Eve (Charles)	King's Bounty (Chang)	San Francisco (Corbett)	Adam (Clark)	The Tiger (Stanton)	Bros (Proulx)
941	432	1,395	8	120	11	13	

4.—Adelaide Stakes.

Mr. L.T.F.'s Kilrea (Mr. Tung) 1
Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Manna (Mr. Noody) 2
Mr. Dyer's Taiping (Mr. Heard) 3
Won by one length and a half; two lengths and a half between second and third.
Time: 3 mins. 9.1 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$5.50.
Places: \$5.50; \$7.70; \$9.20.
Betting.

Winner. Place.	Kilrea (Tung)	The Griffo (Corbett)	Westland Stag (Quincey)	Moon Star (Proulx)	Caulfield (Noronha)	Taiping (Heard)	The Widcon (Frost)	Manna (Noody)	Tin Tac (Oltman)	Thunderclap (Miles)	Choy Pak (Charles)
1,328	9	402	39	99	29	273	157	435	19	39	21

5.—Jockey Cup.

Mr. Dynasty's King's Justice (Mr. Butler) 1
Mr. Stanton's Tom (Mr. Corbett) 2
Mrs. Dunbar's Tiana (Mr. Fung) 3
Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 22 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$12.10.
Places: \$2.30; \$7.30; \$8.80.
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Winner. Place.	Tom (Corbett)	Celerity (Black)	Sanction (Choy)	King's Justice (Butler)	Alexandra Hall (Noronha)	Paul Ery (Corroll)	Peppermint (Botelho)	Tiana (Fung)	Brunswick Hall (Miles)	Morning Star (Tung)	Daylight Eve (Lobel)	Just Imagine (A. M. L. Soares)	Crown Prince (Bonham)	Glorious Stag (Rafael)
525	21	14	860	204	23	278	315	19	18	233	17	35	30	15

4.—Blue Mountains Plate.
Mr. Wong Ping Shun's Sunlight (Mr. L. Frost) 1
Mr. L. A. H. Wright's Lucy Glitters (Mr. Clark) 2
Mr. Monastic's Friar Tuck (Mr. Roth) 3
Won by one length and a half; the same between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 28 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$6.90.
Places: \$5.10; \$9.90; \$7.90.
Betting.

Winner. Place.	Friar Tuck (Roth)	Palaverer (Proulx)	Lung Hui (Li)	Lucy Glitters (Clark)	But After That (Noody)	Gold Digger (Charles)	Amora (Corbett)	Sunlight (Frost)	City of Melbourne (Dallas)
347	16	101	175	301	34	20	7	2,406	324

7.—Lusitano Cup.
Messrs. Mackie and Grayburn's Dee (Mr. Clark) 1
Mr. Ho Kom Tong's Princess Hall (Mr. Dallas) 2
Messrs. Kong Bros' Blue Star (Mr. Li) 3
Won by a neck; a head between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 2.4 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$23.70.
Places: \$6.40; \$5.40; \$8.80.
Betting.

Winner. Place.	Gold Ring (Tung)	Maple Leaf (Wong)	King's Norton (Chang)	Blue Star (Li)	Festival Eve (Heard)	Princess Hall (Dallas)	Dee (Clark)	Edmy Boy (Roth)	Coquine (Miles)	Powerful King (O. Roz)	Herga (Charles)
250	20	60	60	642	46	1,779	849	79	12	11	12

8.—Champion Stakes.
Mr. Dunbar's Diana Bay (Mr. Hill) 1
Mr. Aitch Aitch's Gay Crusader (Mr. Heard) 2
Mr. Reinbar's Sadko (Mr. Dallas) 3
Won by three lengths; one length between second and third.
Time: 2 mins. 31.1 sec.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$4.00.
Places: \$5.40; \$13.60.
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SNAKES OF HONG KONG

INSTRUCTIVE LECTURE BY DR. HERKLOTS.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS REGARDING LOCAL SPECIES.

The following is the first portion of a paper on "Snakes of Hong Kong," read by Prof. G. A. C. Herklots before the University Medical Society last evening. The second and third portions will appear in our Friday's and Saturday's issues respectively.

Dr. Herklots said:—
To medical students and to doctors the study of the poisonous or venomous species, their recognition in the field and laboratory, and the treatment of "snake-bite," form its most interesting aspect. No doubt some present would like me to confine my remarks to this part of the problem only. Unfortunately there is no easy method of telling apart a venomous from a non-venomous species and it is only by knowing the species themselves, and thus avoiding confounding them with harmless varieties, that the problem of recognition can be solved. It is therefore necessary to know by sight the half dozen or dozen commonest harmless species, and the half dozen venomous ones.

The venomous snakes of Hong Kong are common to South-East China though there may be a great range of variety of harmless species in different districts. In other parts of the eastern tropics other venomous species may also occur and it would be well worth the time spent if, for example, a doctor from Hong Kong goes to Singapore, for him to learn to recognize the venomous species of Malaysia in addition.

Specimens on View.

I propose to deal with this subject in the following manner. Firstly a little about snakes and their relationships with other Vertebrates, secondly a little about snake characteristics, thirdly the classification of snakes dealing only with those groups which are found in this district, then, in brief, some mention of snake venoms and treatment of snake-bite. A few living snakes and a number of preserved specimens are available for inspection at the end of this talk. I must insist that no one makes any attempt to handle any living snake as I do not wish a death to occur in this laboratory.

The Reptilia is the highest developed class of the cold-blooded vertebrates; it includes the crocodiles, turtles and allies, lizards and snakes. These last two groups are placed in the same order because they are very closely related. Most lizards possess legs but some, like the slow-worm, are without legs; snakes are all apparently without legs but in some of the primitive families the remains of the hind limbs and even of the pelvic girdle may be present. In snakes the right and left halves of the lower jaw are not firmly fused together; they are only connected by means of an elastic band; because of this the two halves can be moved separately and moved widely apart and as a result most snakes are capable of swallowing objects much larger in diameter than themselves.

A Snake's Teeth.

In most snakes the quadrates, squamosals and elongated pterygoids are very loosely attached and capable of much movement; the right and left pterygoids and palatines are also widely separated. The premaxilla is small and rarely possesses teeth but on the maxillaries, palatines, pterygoids and dentaries there is a perpetual succession of teeth developed. These teeth, in most snakes, point backwards and in certain species some have been modified to serve as poison fangs.

Even a non-venomous species of snake can give a very nasty bite and when it is remembered that a snake, such as a python, possesses four rows of teeth above and two below and that it is not in the habit of using a tooth brush, the chances of bacterial infection taking place in a wound caused by its bite are by no means small.

A few further facts may be of interest. A snake cannot cry or rather it cannot shed tears except through its nose for the tears are drained off into the nasal cavities along special ducts. Snakes possess no tympanic cavity, nor Eustachian tube, nor tympanum and no traces of external ear are visible but a snake can, however, hear very well. The nose is well developed, the sense of smell is acute.

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NURSES WANTED FOR SHANGHAI.

ARRANGEMENTS BY ST. JOHN AMBULANCE.

Acting on cabled instructions from the Headquarters of the Order, London, the local Assistant Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade is making arrangements to despatch nursing assistance to Shanghai where such help is urgently needed in the hospitals.

Nurses who wish to volunteer are kindly invited to communicate with the Assistant Commissioner Mr. Morris, at King's College. Cables from Shanghai state that surgeons and nurses are urgently required.

The Feeding Process.

The tongue is long, slender bifid, moist and furnished with sensory corpuscles; it acts as a sense organ. When a snake puts out its tongue, it is not being rude, it is merely tasting your presence! Moreover, the tongue of a snake is harmless and should not be, as it often is, confused with the fangs. Swallowing may take hours; it is a process of getting outside the food and is carried out by the two halves of the mandible working alternately. (Remember a snake has no hands or paws with which to force food into its mouth.) The spasmodic working of the ribs assist the process as soon as a portion of the prey has passed through the mouth. There is much salivation. Owing to this method of feeding, the branches is very long and opens far forward in the mouth; it can be protruded slightly between the two halves of the lower jaw so as not to be blocked during swallowing. The right lung is much smaller than the left; the posterior half of the left lung is a thin walled sac and merely acts as a reservoir. The majority of snakes, except most vipers and most sea-snakes, lay eggs; the shell is parchment-like containing very little calcium and is therefore soft. Snakes are intelligent but most are of morose disposition and do not care for company, even of other snakes, and therefore do not make good pets.

Local Species.

The most primitive living family of snakes, the Typhlopidae, is fortunately represented in Hong Kong. Typhlops braminus, our local species, is a small burrowing snake which lives on worms and insects; it possesses vestiges of the pelvis, a single bone on each side, and its teeth are restricted to small transversely placed maxillaries. The eyes are hidden by shields of the skin. Although only a few inches long and incapable of hurting anything much tougher than a worm, yet this snake is feared locally. It is called the "tib sin" seah, iron wire snake—and it is said that if one coils round a man's finger it will not leave go until the finger drops off!

The next three families are not commonly represented locally but the fifth, the Boidae, is represented by the sub-family, the Pythoninae. (The Boa-constrictor and Anaconda are American snakes.) The Python is the largest snake of Africa and Asia and may grow to a length of 30 feet. I have heard that one 23 feet long was once killed in Hong Kong but don't know whether this story is strictly accurate. Sir Cecil Clementi told me that once at Shok O he saw a python that had swallowed a deer.

Amazing, fabulous, and incredible stories of enormous snakes drift down from China each year and are reported in our local press. I have a cutting from a Hong Kong paper in my possession of which the headlines read as follows: "A huge snake that had horns; a villager's story from the New Territories; nearly 100 feet long etc." Also in my possession is the cutting from a Chinese paper of the previous day's date from which the English paper took the story. In the Chinese account the snake was only 70 Chinese feet long, i.e. 62 English feet, so it evidently grew some 20 feet by the next morning!

The Python.

In the Python the teeth are very long especially in front and are present also on the premaxilla. It possesses vestiges of the pelvis and hind limbs which appear externally as claw-like spurs on each side of the vent. After death, due to muscle contraction, these rudiments are sometimes forced out further and have the appearance of limbs.

The 6th and 8th families are not represented in Hong Kong but the 7th and 9th are. As the 7th, the Colubridae, includes 9/10 of all reptile species non-venomous and venomous and the 8th, the Viperidae, the vipers, all of which are venomous, are both well represented here I shall take the two families in detail.

FIRE AT LOCAL STABLE.

RACE PONIES STAMPEDE IN THE DARK.

GOOD WORK BY STABLE HANDS.

A fire at the temporary stables in the Reclamation last night might have resulted in the loss of many race ponies, but for the timely arrival of the fire brigade and the quick action of the stable hands on the scene.

The exact cause of the outbreak is not certain but it is believed that the fire originated through electric wires fusing. The nature of the stables made the spread of the fire inevitable, but thanks to the fact that chemical fire extinguishers were near at hand the flames were confined to one match and even in this, the outbreak was more or less localized.

The Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene and helped to put out the flames.

There was a general stampede of race ponies from the match which was involved and the work of retrieving these animals when the fire was subdued, was carried on until midnight. Even at that hour it was not certain whether all the ponies had been recuperated although thanks to the work of the stable hands, the majority of them were caught and stabled elsewhere before midnight.

Among the ponies that broke loose were a few Australian ponies, some of which had been racing during the afternoon at Happy Valley.

OVER-ZEALOUS "PATRIOTS."

SEQUEL TO "VICTORY CELEBRATIONS."

CHINESE IN COURT.

The "victory celebration" by the Chinese on Tuesday was not without its disturbing incidents and a few people were brought before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at Central Magistracy yesterday as the result of having celebrated too enthusiastically. At Wan-chai some rowdies started throwing stones at the Japanese shops in that district but this was stopped by the Police before it assumed grave proportions.

One over-patriotic Chinese, a Shoemaker, was charged before Mr. Wynne-Jones with sticking a poster or notice bearing the slogan, "Long Live China," near the Queen's Theatre without having first submitted the poster to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs for approval and censorship. After a discussion between the Magistrate and the officer for the prosecution (Chief Detective-Inspector Reynolds), the man was fined \$2.

"Let Us Celebrate."

When another Chinese was brought before the Magistrate, the Chief Detective Inspector explained that this man went round town with a huge tin rattle. On both sides of this was a red placard bearing the words "Let Us Celebrate Our Army's Victory." The rattle was borne aloft and the man was followed by a huge crowd.

Mr. Reynolds informed his worship that when arrested the accused stated that he was an unemployed seaman. Questioned further as to his occupation, accused said that he was a hawker on a Wuchow river boat. He added: "I had assumed that liberty of speech was permitted in this Colony, and I therefore thought there would be no harm in expressing our sentiments."

It was also stated by Mr. Reynolds that at the time of his arrest the accused was attired in European clothing, whereas after his release on bail he now appeared in his own native attire. In asking for a remand in order to make further enquiries regarding the accused, the officer suggested an increase of bail to \$100.

A remand for forty-eight hours was granted on increased bail as suggested by the police.

Thrown at Inspector.

Four cases from the Shaukiwan district were heard by Mr. W. Schofield and in all of these the defendant concerned was fined \$20. One man was charged with throwing a cracker through the window of Inspector Stimson's car, the officer stating that the cracker went off very near his ear! Another Chinese was stated to have lighted crackers inside a shop and to have thrown them on to the street to the danger of passers-by.

TRADE STATISTICS FOR JANUARY

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS DOWN ON LAST YEAR.

EFFECT OF BOYCOTT ON JAPANESE TRADE.

According to the official returns compiled by the Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department the trade of the Colony suffered a relapse in the month of January, the total value of imports amounting to \$54 millions (the lowest figure since October, 1930), while exports totalled \$38.3 millions (the lowest figure since the short month of February, 1931).

As compared with January of last year imports declined by \$3.8 millions, while exports fell \$0.7 millions.

IMPORTS.

	January, 1932	January, 1931
Merchandise	\$54,087,500	\$59,569,025
Treasure	1,530,468	5,233,184
Total	\$55,617,977	\$64,802,189

EXPORTS.

	January, 1932	January, 1931
Merchandise	\$38,285,053	\$47,975,629
Treasure	4,131,004	10,845,989
Total	\$42,416,057	\$58,821,617

Part of the declines in the trade of the Colony during January was due to the Chinese boycott of Japanese goods which continued with increasing intensity, the total imports from Japan amounting to only \$1.3 millions as compared with \$5.5 millions in January, 1931; piece goods declining by \$1.9 millions and food-stuffs by \$1.1 millions.

For the four months October-January the figures for imports from Japan are as follows:—

	October, 1930	October, 1931
October, 1930	\$7,241,000	\$466,000
October, 1931	4,085,000	284,000
November, 1930	7,462,000	476,000
November, 1931	1,717,000	116,000
December, 1930	7,747,000	444,000
December, 1931	1,806,000	715,000
January, 1932	5,188,000	255,000
January, 1932	1,322,000	95,000

DECLINE IN JAPANESE IMPORTS.

The following table shows the chief declines in imports from Japan:—

	January, 1931	January, 1932
Building Materials:—		
Cement	239,304	35,767

Chemicals and Drugs:—		
Acid Hydrochloric	\$ 7,278	—
Bleaching Powder	5,521	308
Sodium Sulphide	14,733	—
Sulphur	27,645	5,582
Pharmaceutical Products	2,564	212

Chinese Medicines:—		
Ginseng	37,304	22,830
Chinese Medicine N.O.E.	5,849	460

Foodstuffs:—		
Fish and Fishery Products	\$ 586,373	1,372
Wheat Flour	478	—
Grains	284,156	—
Sugar	57,578	6,156
Onions	60,205	—
Potatoes	5,758	—
Condiments	16,294	—
Meat and Fish (Canned and potted)	19,304	—
Mushrooms	136,472	—

Hardware:—		
Brushes	\$ 6,414	—
Enamel Ware	2,374	—
Hardware N.O.E.	30,731	1,170

Liquors:—		
Malt Liquors	\$ 20,331	9,310

Machinery and Engines:—		
Industrial Machinery N.O.E.	\$ 12,065	600

Manures:—		
Sulphate of Ammonia	\$ 15,598	—

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Matches	69,992	—
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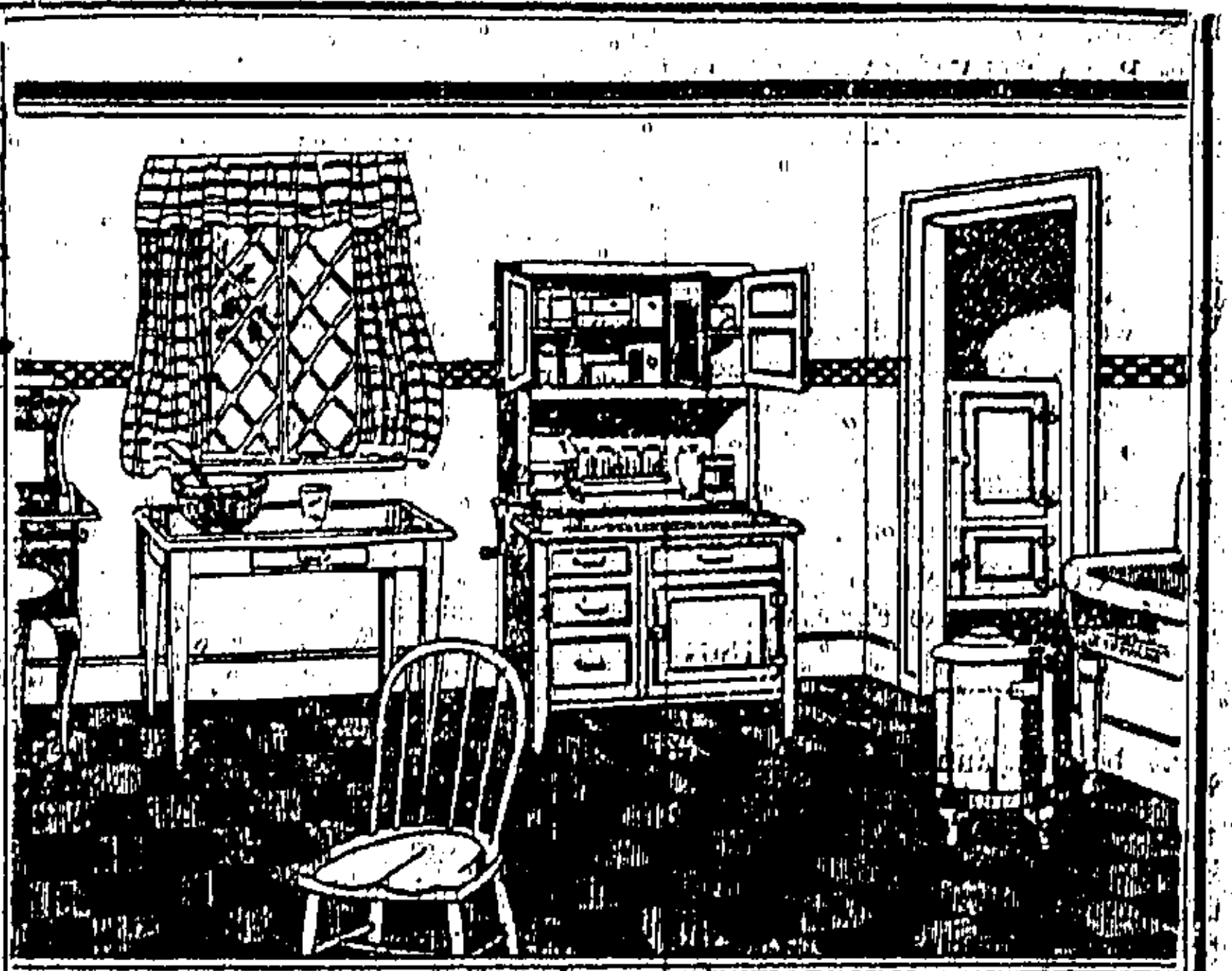
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All entries, should, if possible, be in the hands of the Hon. Secretary, R.E.K.Y.C., by noon on the day of the race and competing boats should be at the starting line by 3.30 p.m.

Post Entries however will be received. Course—Start from Channel Rock, thence to Kowloon Rock (P), Mark off Yacht Club (S), Mark boat off East Rock Beacon (P), finish across Yacht Club line leaving mark boat to Port and continue sailing until gunfire for finish.

A launch will leave Queen's Statue Pier at 3 p.m. for the convenience of members and the general public.

E. J. VERNALL,

Hon. Secretary, R.E.K.Y.C.

24th February, 1932. [1870]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of the Provisions of Section 88 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897, made an Order limiting the Time for Creditors and Others to send in their Claims against the above Estate to 10th MARCH, 1932.

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HONG KONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on FRIDAY, 4th MARCH, at 11 a.m., in the Sanitary Board Room, 3rd floor, Post Office.

Mrs. Southern has kindly consented to take the Chair. [1847]

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.10 p.m., stated:—

The anti-cyclone appears to be central to the N.E. of Peking and to be spreading southward. The depression is passing into the Pacific to the east of Hokkaido.

Local Forecast:—N winds, fresh; overcast, drizzle and mist at first, improving later.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, FEBRUARY 25, 1932.

SOME PERILS OF PROFITEERING.

It is to be hoped that the United States Government is in a position to deny and disprove the allegation that American firms and bankers are quietly profiteering in war material, and that the authorities are doing their best to discourage public discussion of this matter. The *Baltimore Sun* accuses the British and French Governments of complicity, but it is incredible that the National Government in England would involve itself in such intrigue. Quite apart from any question of the ethics of the matter, the danger of exposure is too great and the consequences too dire to be risked. The change from the high reëtitude of Colonel Stimson's original notes to Japan on the impropriety of her action, to the silence, and anxious disassociation of America from Far Eastern entanglements, of the past week, has, on the surface, an ominous appearance. But it must be remembered that the United States traditionally avoids foreign entanglements, and the people of that country are deeply averse from war. No doubt the quick reversion to a cautious policy has tended to start these reports.

Firms in America and elsewhere that number war munitions among their products are of great importance and exercise, no doubt, considerable influence upon affairs. To ask them to forego the profits offered by catering for the needs of a Sino-Japanese war is to demand a heavy pecuniary sacrifice, especially at a time when business is bad. It is difficult, however, to imagine that any Foreign Office is not alive to the grave political complications that may arise from

permitting such traffic. If contrabands are placed by Japan, others will be offered by China. To refuse these would involve difficulties with the Chinese Government and with the firms thus losing business. The latter would no doubt do their best by means of publicity, to rouse moral opinion against the action of their more fortunate rivals, and moral opinion can still be dangerous. If America, for instance, starts supplying China Japan would at once declare a blockade of the Chinese coast and exercise the usual rights of search for contraband of war. This would constitute a direct violation of the American doctrine of "The Freedom of the Seas," and Washington would be faced with the alternatives either of losing the Chinese market and increasing the Chinese people, or of employing her fleet to protect the munition ships, with the possibility of awkward consequences. On purely business grounds—if a view six inches beyond the end of the nose is taken—the Powers would be well advised to maintain a genuine neutrality. But whether the firms concerned can be persuaded into such an attitude is another matter. The dilemma is awkward. To the Hoover Ministry, for example, the obvious comments that will be passed upon this traffic if it is sanctioned will be more than merely galling, especially in view of the coming Presidential election. If the matter had been kept quiet it would have been so different, but someone has "belled the cat."

Hong Kong has every reason to view this alleged rush to munition the belligerents with apprehension. We avoid all strictures, except on the business and political aspects, for these are quite serious enough. Though we may gain for a time at the expense of Shanghai, our prosperity as a port and an emporium is bound up with the peace and prosperity of South China, and of the whole of the Far East. A long war, which is a real possibility if the struggle is nursed by the armament traffic, means exhaustion and bankruptcy for China and possibly for Japan where vast sums of British and American money are invested. Even the greediest profiteer should be able to see the dangers arising from prolonged war in the East; the increase of chaos in China; the arrest of modernisation; the growth of Communism, and the advance of Russia's political and economic designs. But while the profiteer is one who sees nothing beyond his bill, there is no excuse for giving him official benediction. If China and Japan can settle their differences, once and for all, there is a chance of peace in the East and commerce enough to satisfy all nations. Should any ship laden with munitions be on the way to either belligerent, good luck to the hostile cruiser that sends it to the bottom of the sea.

40 PER CENT. OF HOMES CHILDLESS.

11,000 FEWER BIRTHS THAN IN 1913.

The German population figures are causing some anxiety. In the ten largest towns the deaths last November exceeded the births, and in all German large towns there were only 104 births to each 10,000 of the inhabitants, against 103 deaths.

In 1908 the surplus of births over deaths in Germany was about 910,000; in 1930 it had fallen to 418,000; and in the first half of last year it was 140,000. It is estimated that the surplus for the whole of 1931 is only 300,000.

The number of marriages in 1930 was 1 per 1,000 of the population more than in 1911, but births fell from 1,038,750 in 1913 to 1,028,925 in 1930.

Fifty per cent. of all the couples married in Germany during the past seven years are childless.

The Reich Health Department calculates that the German population is now declining at the rate of 1.8 per 1,000 persons a year.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

A lady once sent the manuscript of a book she had written to Dr. Johnson, asking him for his opinion of it, and mentioning that she had several other irons in the fire. "Put this with the other irons," was Johnson's reply.

That's So, Too.

"If you think your steak is tough, think how tough it would be if you had no steak," says a sign in an Arizona lunch-room.

Cotton for Pork.

Bolton, one of Lancashire's chief cotton spinning centres, is to-day buttering its frying pans in view of a possible, if not a certain, of yarn for bacon. This has come about through the Hungarian war debt situation, which made payment in currency impossible.

The Hungarian weavers association is idle for lack of Bolton yarn. Bolton weavers on the other hand, are idle for need of markets. But the Hungarian weavers can supply work which their representative in Lancashire is pressing the Bolton merchants to accept in payment. The matter is now before the Manchester wholesale co-operative society which is trying to put through a £10,000 deal.

Car Sounds for Photo.

Professor Low, the scientist, produced photographs of the sounds from motor-car, exhaust-pipes at Spelthorne Sessions when Charles Richard Fairley, of Iver Heath, Bucks, was summoned for driving a car, which made an excessive noise. The magistrates dismissed the case.

Mr. Fairley is the designer of the famous Fairley aeroplane and is chairman of the Fairley Aviation Company.

"Dance, Little Lady."

Commenting on a movement to stop Commemoration Balls at Oxford University this year because of the economic crisis, "Isis," the undergraduate journal, under the heading, "Dance, Little Lady," suggests that it would be a defeatist gesture to abandon these dances.

"Furthermore, if the recommendation to economise in luxuries were accepted universally, what are we to hope for the interests of the dance bands, of the caterers, and of the waiters who have been employed in recent years?"

"Ha'p'ny" Tram Rates Retained in Glasgow.

Ha'penny tram rides are to be retained at Glasgow despite a general rise in tramway and bus rates; the municipal transport authorities have decided. Twopenny street car fares now become 2d., and the minimum bus fare is increased to 1d.

It is stated that the object of increasing the short-distance bus fares is to divert short-distance travellers from the overcrowded buses to the trams.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

One case of Small-pox was reported on Tuesday.

H.E. the Governor is to open the new Po Leung Kuk at Leighton Hill Road at 4 p.m. on March 4.

Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Puisne Judge, arrives from England after long leave this morning, aboard the P. and O. s.s. Rajputana.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. James Howell, engineer on board s.s. Seistan, and Miss Pipita Lawrence, Kowloon Dock.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending February 6, 1932, amounted to 363—metric tons, and the sales during the period to 58,774—metric tons.

We have been asked to state that owing to an unfortunate omission mention was made to entries by H.M. Ships regarding the Mamak Hockey Tournament for 1932. These will be cordially welcomed and entries should be forwarded to Mr. O. England White, c/o Government Radio Office, as soon as possible.

We are asked to remind readers that the Horticultural Society's Show is being held to-day, Wednesday, March 2. Entries close at noon to-day, and intending exhibitors who have not yet filled in the necessary forms and sent them to the Hon. Secretary, at 11, Queen's Road, Central, are asked to do so at once.

Link With London's Past.

A link with London's past will be severed at the end of the present month, when Carter's hairdressing shop in Fleet-street passes under a new management.

The shop, which has been in the hands of one family for over 65 years, forms part of the half-timbered, Seventeenth-Century gate-house which leads from the Inner Temple to Fleet-street. On the first floor of the gatehouse there is a room with a magnificent plaster ceiling known as Prince Henry's Room, which probably served as the council chamber of the Duchy of Cornwall during the reign of James I.

For many generations Carter's has been frequented by journalists and members of the legal profession. To-day editors and judges, including the Lord Chief Justice, are numbered among its patrons. The new management will, it is understood, continue to use the premises for hairdressing.

Blowing Up Millions.

Reference in a London Paper to the blowing up of British ammunition dumps in France after the war brought an interesting letter from the senior partner of the firm entrusted with the task.

The informant gives the financial A.B.C. of these operations. Altogether his firm blow up about 400,000 tons of ammunition in British dumps.

The original value of these munitions was about £163,000,000. In one dump alone £3,500,000 worth of ammunition was blown into the air. The scrap metal collected from the "crater" realised only £500.

A French Embargo.

The turnover of the firm during these operations was, roughly, £5,000,000. Of this sum the British Government received £1,700,000.

Although the firm had foreseen a profit for itself of nearly £2,000,000 it finished up with a loss.

After operations had started the French imposed an embargo on the export of steel-scraps, so that steel scrap, already sold forward at £3 per ton to England, had to be sacrificed for 30s. a ton to French steel works.

Stratosphere Flight to Set Record.

Seeking to break the altitude record of Prof. August Piccard, an Austrian inventor, Mr. Hans Braun, and Count Theodor Ziehl of Hungary are completing arrangements for a stratosphere flight rising from Austria this month.

The flight is primarily for experimental purposes. The balloon will be fitted with apparatus for dispatching radio messages. The gondola is of new construction and is calculated astronomically to leave the balloon during the descent and safely land by means of an American-patented parachute.

Weekly Half Holiday Planned for Farmers.

At the forthcoming annual convention of the United Farmers of Alberta, one of the questions to be discussed will be a proposal that a half holiday each week be instituted during the summer months for the tillers of the soil. This would make a radical change in the farmers' life, but the U. F. A. of Wetaskiwin, which is submitting this resolution to the conference, believes that the farmers should be given more opportunity for taking part in community events, such as business conferences, picnics, swimming parties and addresses on current events.

America's Big Sport Ten.

Every year the Americans publish a list of their ten best sportsmen, compiled by the vote of 600 representatives of different branches of sport.

The 1931 list is made up as follows: Percy Beard (hurdler), Barney Berlinger (Decathlon champion), Clarence de Mar (Marathon runner), Thomas Hitchcock (polo), Helene Madison (swimmer), Helen Wills (tennis), Ellsworth Vines (tennis), Francis Ouimet (golf), Vic Williams (middle distance runner), and Barry Wood (footballer).

It is surprising that the list includes no baseball player. Tennis is the only game honoured with two representatives.

Star's Rush from the Earth.

Vast numbers of stars rushing away from the earth at a speed of 12,000 miles a second were described by Sir Arthur Eddington at the Royal Institution.

"Outside our own galaxy of stars," he said, "there exist external galaxies, each containing many millions of stars. These are to be found running away from us almost unanimously; and the further away they are the faster they recede."

"It is not difficult to see that the recession is the effect of a general expansion of the universe."

There could be little doubt, added Sir Arthur, that this astronomical phenomenon of the expanding universe was the main clue by which we could ultimately unravel the mechanism of the atom.

An Oval Pig.

Even if we allow for a certain pictorial exaggeration by artists anxious to please their breeders, the immense weight and size of some of the early cattle are still impressive.

A few look as if they are wearing some sort of natural "plus-fours"; others are coloured like trout; the Castle Howard prize ox, bred by the then Earl of Carlisle, bulges in all directions while the Blackwell ox weighed well over a ton; and there is a perfectly over prize pig.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

From the Files.

Looking Back 25 Years.

The sporting public as well as the numerous members of the Victoria Recreation Club will be pleased to learn that the Government have at last granted the Club the site near Murray Pier. It is expected that the division wall between the Naval Yard extension and the new V.R.C. site will be finished within a month, then a match will be erected as a temporary club house pending the erection of a permanent building.

The Japan Life Insurance Company has declared a dividend for last year at the rate of 19 per cent. The net profit for the year amounted to Y.680,345.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, February 25, 1932.

Looking Back 50 Years.

The weather at yesterday's race meeting was bright and genial and rather more pleasant for the on-lookers than the previous day's cold. There was again good sport, with fair fields and well-contested finishes. The Exchange Plate fell to Mr. Grammont's Strathpeffer, and the same owner won the Ger-fessional Cup and Town Plate were taken by Mr. Faal's stable, the former with Sunlight, and the second with Shamrock, warm cheers.

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JUVENILE OFFENDERS. CALIFORNIA OPENS PRISON CAMP.

Riverside, Calif.—To Riverside County goes the distinction of having the first industrial prison camp for juvenile offenders in California. So successful has been this method of handling, such prisoners that state authorities, praising it highly, have recommended its adoption by other counties.

What with crowded conditions of state penal institutions for boys and the impossibility of committing convicted youths to county jails or state prisons, juvenile courts have been faced with a knotty problem in the disposition of boy law-breakers.

Two years ago Judge Oakley K. Morton, Riverside Juvenile Court, Mr. C. W. Mathews, county probation officer; the county supervisors and other citizens, decided upon the formation of a juvenile department in the county industrial camp which had been established several years previously.

The boys were always kept separate from the men in camp, but with the recent construction of a new camp for adults, to a location many miles from the previous site in the San Jacinto mountains, the latter has been kept solely for juveniles. Prisoners in both the camps, of which Mr. E. C. Wickard is superintendent, are employed at road building. Boys sent to the camp are from 16 to 19 years of age. Inmates average 25 in camp at all times. No convicted youths of long experience in crime are included; some few boys of this type being sent to the adult camp.

JAPANESE ATTACK AGAIN A FAILURE

FORTUNE FALLS INTO SEA

9 BARRELS OF GOLD SINK IN CHERBOURG HARBOUR

(Reuter's Special Service.)

CHERBOURG, Feb. 24. £900,000 worth of gold fell into the sea here to-day. While a consignment from the Boreangia was being unloaded, the chain broke and six barrels filled with gold sank in the harbour and must be recovered by a diver.

MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD

LEAVING LONDON FOR 3 WEEKS' REST

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Feb. 24. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is recovering after his operation, but is leaving London on Wednesday, for three weeks' rest, for an unnamed south-west of England resort.

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE

HOPE IT WILL ACHIEVE CONCRETE RESULTS

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUBRY, Feb. 23. The General Committee of the Disarmament Conference will meet to-morrow at Geneva under the chairmanship of Mr. Arthur Henderson. The New French Prime Minister, M. Tardieu, has informed the British Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, of his intention of being present. It is understood that Signor Grandi and the heads of several other delegations will also attend.

Sir John Simon, who, in the absence of the Prime Minister, is acting as head of the British delegation to the Conference, left London this afternoon for Geneva, and will be present. He will remain in Switzerland until after the special meeting, on March 3rd, of the League Assembly which has been called, to consider the Sino-Japanese situation. It is anticipated that the highly important debates on political issues that will come before the Disarmament Conference will take place in this General Committee, including, for example, the security questions raised by the French Memorandum. The work of the whole Conference will be co-ordinated by the fact that the President is the Chairman of this General Committee.

Budgetary Limitation

The other committee that will probably be set up by the Disarmament Conference will provide work for specialists on land, sea and air armaments, and another committee will consider the question of reduction of armaments by means of budgetary limitation.

The view of the British Government in regard to budgetary limitation is that it should afford a valuable cross-check on other methods of limitation, although it is recognised that many complicated factors would have to be adjusted for its proper working. Conscript armies, for example, are less expensive to maintain than professional armies, and considerations of this kind must obviously be taken into account.

On the other hand, budgetary limitation accords a useful means of restricting certain kinds of armaments, such, for instance, as the so-called pocket battleship, which although it might conform to tonnage and other material limitations, is expensive to build.

The British Government is approaching the work of the disarmament conference with a determination to achieve the largest possible measure of success, and would regard it as a great misfortune if it failed to achieve concrete results.

FLU EPIDEMIC IN BRITAIN

BOAT CREW VICTIMS

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Feb. 23. The influenza epidemic, which has been raging in Britain for some time, is now attacking the members of both Boat Race crews. The strokes of both Oxford and Cambridge are stricken down and the Cambridge outing this afternoon had to be cancelled as the No. 7 was also down. Oxford, with a substitute stroke, covered the Hanley Regatta course, a mile and 65 yards in 7 minutes 23 seconds.

CHINESE TROOPS REFUSE TO RETIRE

LEAGUE OF NATIONS' EXPENSES

BRITAIN'S SHARE £1,080,000

(Reuter's Special Service.)

LONDON, Feb. 24. Replying to a question in the House of Commons Mr. Eden said that the expenses of the League down to the end of 1931 were £11,000,000, of which Britain's contribution was approximately £1,080,000.

ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN

EXPEDITION LEAVES FOR KIANGSI

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, Feb. 24. A military communiqué from Shikwan, received here to-day, stated that a detachment of General Yu Han Mow troops left there for Kiangsi yesterday, forming the vanguard of the anti-Communist campaign. They are expected to arrive in the Tai Yu Mountains, on the Kwangtung-Hunan border, from which point they will proceed to Kiangsi. General Yu Han Mow and his staff expect to leave here for Kiangsi sometime next week to direct operations. He will, it is learned, establish his headquarters in Kanchow, which is still being besieged by the Communists.

Simultaneous with this, General Li Yang King, Commander of the 3rd Army, will lead an expedition in Fukien to curb with the Red activities there. Both expeditions will be reinforced with airplanes. It is evident that Canton is at last starting in earnest an intensive campaign against the Communists in Kiangsi, whose recent wanton activities have caused grave concern in official circles in both Nanking and Canton. Nanking has appointed General Chen T'ai Tong Commander-in-Charge of the anti-Communist campaign, with orders to complete the task started by the 19th Route Army.

The Canton General has requested in his reply of acceptance to Nanking that the Canton Customs surplus be retained here for the financing of the anti-Communist campaign. Thus far no reply has been forthcoming from Nanking.

CHINESE RAILWAY LOANS

QUESTION OF DEFAULT RAISED IN COMMONS

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Feb. 24. In the House of Commons the default of the Tientsin-Pukow and Hukow Railway loans was raised at question time. Mr. Eden replied that no suitable opportunity for pressing just claims of British creditors against the Chinese Government will be neglected, and suggested that the present time was not opportune for another note.

HITLER AND THE GERMAN PRESIDENCY

A COMIC PROBLEM SOLVED

(Reuter's Special Service.)

The rather comic problem of giving Herr Hitler German citizenship in order that he can become a Presidential candidate has been solved. Hitler is to be made a Professor of Political Pedagogics at the Brunswick University and in order to meet the objections that the appointment is only "camouflage," Hitler will deliver an address at Brunswick to-day.

ACTIVITY RESUMED ON CHAPEI FRONT

THUNDER OF GUNS REVERBERATING THROUGHOUT THE SETTLEMENT

CHINESE ATTACK ON MIAOHONGCHEN REPULSED

JAPANESE HURRIEDLY EVACUATING SHANGHAI

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24, 7.38 p.m. THE JAPANESE ATTACK TO-DAY PROVED A FAILURE. THE CHINESE MAINTAINING THEIR POSITIONS DESPITE A RELENTLESS JAPANESE ONSLAUGHT. WITH NIGHTFALL THE FRONT LINES SUBSIDED TO SILENCE, BUT JAPANESE ARTILLERY, AFTER HOURS OF RESPITE, BEGAN A HEAVY BOMBARDMENT OF WARTORN CHAPEI. THE THUNDER OF THEIR BATTERIES REVERBERATING THROUGHOUT SHANGHAI.

A SCENE OF MISERY

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24, 3.34 p.m.

The Kiangwan front this morning was a scene of misery. The soaking rain of last night having filled the trenches and dugouts. The rain has put out the smouldering fires of thousands of peasant homes destroyed in the past few days.

Though fierce aerial and artillery bombardment has been going on all morning since 8.30, the Japanese infantry had not yet attempted any great advance.

The Japanese appear to be anxious to blast out the Chinese by pure weight of explosives rather than by fighting.

TERRIFIC AND STUPENDOUS DETONATIONS

A Reuter observer this morning saw eight huge bombers roar across "No Man's Land," each carrying a couple of 250 pound bombs which were neatly placed on the Chinese positions round Kiangwan Village. The detonations were terrific and stupendous clouds of earth and debris were thrown a hundred yards into the air. It seemed impossible that there could be any defences or Chinese troops left, but as the smoke cleared the Chinese poured withering machine gun and rifle fire into the Japanese infantry positions in expectation of their advance, but the rain-soaked Japanese infantry made no attempt to carry the devastated Chinese trenches which the Chinese are indefatigably building up again, despite the continued Japanese artillery bombardment and Japanese planes dropping smaller bombs.

CHAPEI AGAIN BOMBARDED

Meanwhile, the Japanese have started activity on the Chapei front, their naval landing force delivering an attack on the Chinese positions in the northern section of Chapei at 10.30 and severe fighting is now progressing.

Japanese residents in Shanghai continue to evacuate in large numbers. Since January 28, 9,000 have evacuated to Japan, leaving 16,000 here but these are rapidly making preparations to depart. A Japanese liner, was alongside a wharf near the Japanese Consulate this morning loading thousands of Japanese refugees for Japan.

CHINESE COUNTER ATTACK REPULSED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24, 7.37 p.m.

The Chinese to-day counter attacked Miaohongchen but were repulsed with big losses.

Japanese planes are spraying gasoline over the houses in Kiangwan, believed to be harbouring snipers, after which another plane formation drop incendiary bombs setting the dwellings alight.

STORIES OF ATROCITIES SOLVED

The Japanese discovered a ruse on Wednesday by which members of the plain clothes "dare to die" corps approach the lines masquerading as refugees then start firing when near. Many women, including an aged female, were arrested in the act of smuggling arms for Chinese troops. They were immediately shot as spies, thus accounting for the stories of alleged atrocities.

FOURTH DAY'S ATTACK OPENS

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Feb. 24, 11.48 a.m.

The opening of the fourth day's attack on Kiangwan Village by the Japanese was delayed this morning. Dawn came misty and damp, but at about half past seven, Japanese aeroplanes flew over the Chinese lines reconnoitring, while an hour later, a squadron of bombing machines were sent and began a systematic aerial bombardment, being met by machine-gun fire.

When the attack from the air was spent, the Japanese heavy batteries, which have been placed on the Kiangwan racecourse, commenced their strafe, opening up a fierce bombardment which was continued until a few moments before ten o'clock.

At 10 a.m., the order for a general attack was given, infantry, tanks and armoured cars, joining in the fighting, which is still proceeding furiously.

The Chinese are replying to the Japanese attack with Stokes mortars and fierce machine-gun fire.

"FIRST" HONOURS TO CHINA

"DAILY TELEGRAPH'S" OPINION

The Daily Telegraph in a leading article this morning comes to the conclusion that the honours of the first three days' fighting since the expiry of the Japanese ultimatum rest with the Chinese.

The prowess of their troops, says the journal, has accomplished far more than was expected by the world at large and has done much to rehabilitate the prestige of China as a Power capable of defending itself.

The indications that the fighting line will come closer to the International Settlement, following the Japanese evacuation of Hongkew, will intensify foreign anxiety lest the Settlement becomes involved in the hostilities.

The Telegraph adds that since the British Government is fully supporting the League authority, outside zealots will be well advised to leave the issue in the hands of responsible statesmen.

AMERICA'S POLICY—?

STATEMENT EXPECTED SOON

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, Feb. 24.

Urgent advices that Japan is moving new troops to the Shanghai "war" zone has hastened the decision for Mr. Stimson to restate America's policy in the Far East. It is expected the statement, regarding which Mr. Stimson closely conferred with Mr. Borah, will be made to-day.

BOYCOTT OF JAPAN

AMERICAN ATTITUDE

New York, Feb. 24.

According to the New York Times Washington correspondent, President Hoover is prepared neither to reject or accept and will only formally acknowledge the petition for a Japanese boycott. It is understood that only one or two Senators are in favour of an anti-Japanese boycott.

DEFENCE OF SOUTH CHINA

HALF A MONTH'S RENT DEMANDED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, Feb. 24.

In order to raise funds for the defence of South China coastal cities against possible Japanese attacks, the Canton Government has ordered that all property owners contribute to the war chest to the extent of a half month's rental. The property owners in Canton are being notified of this latest decision of the Government, and the police have been instructed to go from store to store, and house to house to collect the money according to the figures kept at the police station. This forcible financial drive will start on Friday and is expected to be completed by March 6.

All the money thus collected will be turned over to the Finance Committee for National Defence, which is attached to the Executive Council for the administration of political, military and Kuomintang affairs of the Southwest. The Committee will use the money as it sees fit.

The Japanese nervousness is reflected in a decision to cancel permits enabling Pressmen to visit the Japanese lines, "in view of the danger and the confusion."

The Chinese confidence is illustrated by General Tsi Ting-kai's invitation to foreign journalists to take luncheon with him to-day at his field headquarters.

CHINA'S REPLY TO FOREIGN PROTEST

A joint protest against the shelling of positions within the Settlement has been lodged by the British, Italian, French and American authorities. Replying to the protest, the Chinese authorities expressed their regret, but denied responsibility on the ground that the Japanese were using the International Settlement as a base for their operations.

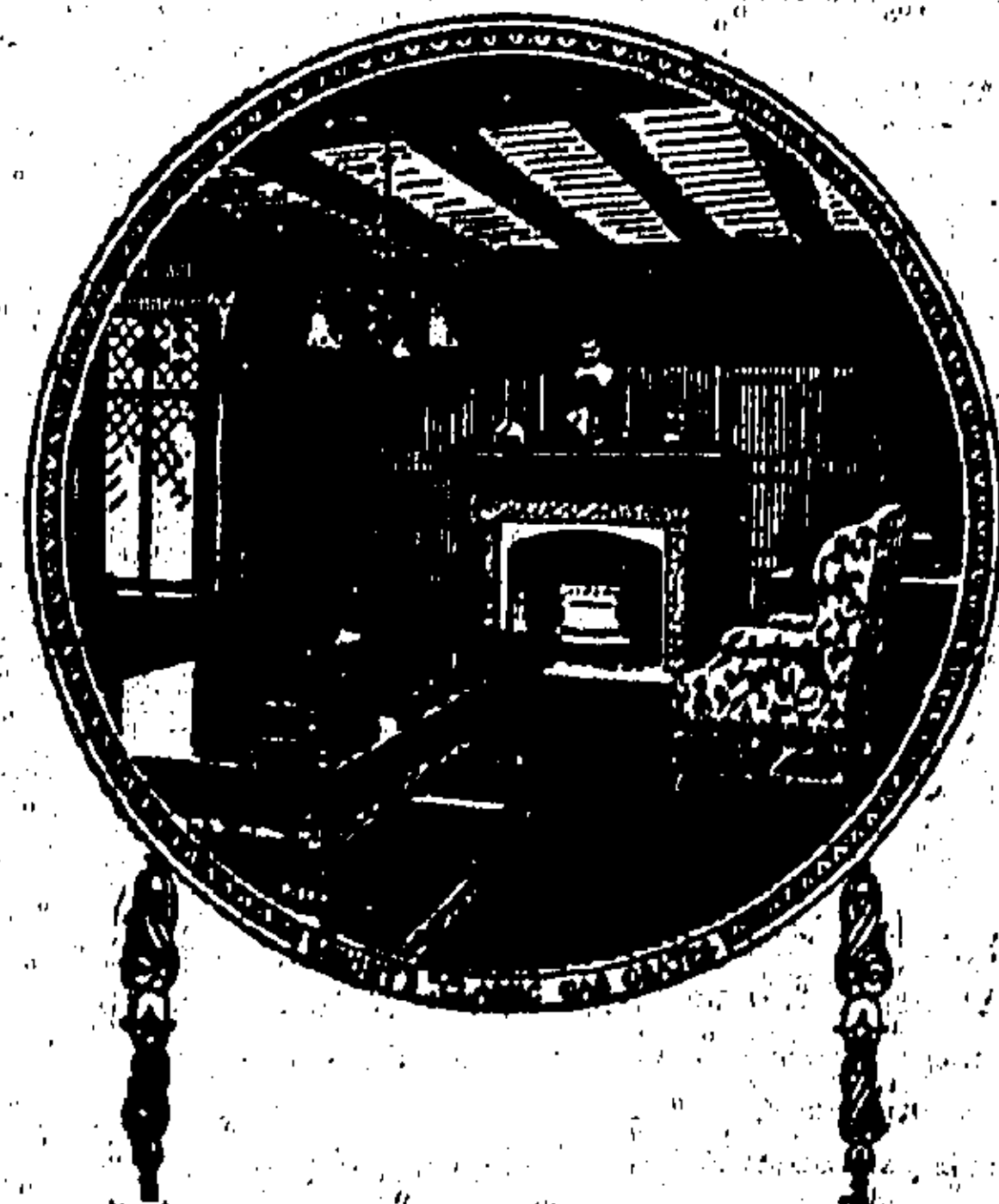
An ominous silence has at present descended on the Chapei front and along the battle-line stretching to the south of Kiangwan.

ACTIVITY ON RIGHT FLANK

Reuter's observance reports that there is some activity on the Japanese right sector, north of Kiangwan. Troops are moving up rapidly in this direction in accordance with General Uyeda's need for consolidating his right flank, which was exposed to Chinese attack last night.

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Sports News

GOLF NOTES.

(By "MASHIE-NIRLICK.")

As anticipated, the resolution empowering the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club to collect subscriptions from lady players was carried. The arguments brought forward at the meeting in favour of a very considerable differentiation in the subscriptions of relatives of members and other ladies appear attractive until examined closely. There is something to be said for a slight differentiation in favour of relatives, although even this appears somewhat unfair in cases where non-relatives are working ladies who are unable to use the course except at week-ends and whose relatives are of the "leisure class" who use the course frequently. The unfairness would amount to an injustice if non-relatives were obliged to pay three times as much as others, and I am glad that the amendment was defeated. A married man with wife and daughter using the course would, on that basis, save his entrance fee in the course of a year, whereas the single member would obtain no reciprocal benefit. The flat rate will obviate much cause which would otherwise arise for criticism, and the institution of green fees for lady visitors \$2 per day or \$15 per month should also prove a useful source of revenue for improvement to the ladies' clubhouse and other purposes.

I understand that about 40 ladies have registered at the Kowloon Golf Club where a decision to charge ladies subscriptions was enforced as from December last. This is very satisfactory, considering that the Club's membership is not large and that ladies at week-ends are only allowed to play on Sunday afternoons. Lady players at this Club, who are not relatives of members, are charged \$10 per year as compared with \$3 for relatives and it is significant that few of the non-relatives who occasionally used the course formerly have registered.

In defeating R. M. Henderson in the final of the Junior "Championship" at Fanling, D. S. Edwards fulfilled the anticipations expressed in these columns last week, although the overwhelming nature of his victory (13 and 12) was certainly a surprise. Edwards was round in two nett 71's which take a lot of beating! As proof that this was no flash in the pan he succeeded in winning the P.W.D. Competition, the same week-end with a gross 80.

In the final of the Kowloon Golf Club, L. Goldman also fulfilled expectations by defeating H. T. Buxton. Considering the good form displayed of late by Goldman, Buxton did well to hold him to a 5 and 3 victory over 36 holes.

The draw for the 1st round of the "Hong" doubles competition to be played at Kowloon Golf Club on Sunday was made yesterday and will be found in an adjacent column. Fourteen couples have entered including last year's winners.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

DRAW FOR HONG FOURSOMES

Following is the draw for the Hong Foursomes competition for the Page Shield, the first round of which is to be played on Sunday: Bishop and Wedlake (Naval Yard) v. Mundy and Edwards (Doddwells).

Craig and McKelvie (Kowloon Dock) v. Reid and Braley (Sanitary Dept).

Meyer and Russell (Mackintosh, Ltd.) v. McKnight and Cava (Mustard and Co).

Taylor and Angus (China Light) v. Goldman and Fincher (Gilman). Remedies and Jex (Union Trading Co.) v. Sanderson and Stoker (H. K. Electric).

Dinsdale and Laughton (Backhouse, Ltd.) v. Hampton and Hillier (Lane, Crawford). Byes: Johnson and Simpson (P.W.D.) Groves and Eastman (Godown Co.).

ners Dinsdale and Laughton (Backhouse, Ltd.) Groves and Eastman (Wharf and Godown Co.) should prove formidable opposition.

The qualifying round for the Senior Championship at the Country Club was played last Sunday when, although conditions were good, scores on the high side were returned. The following qualified: A.W. and E.D. da Rosa, J. Litton, E. Leito, A.A. Lopes, A. Urquhart, S. Jex and H.K. Lee.

YESTERDAY'S CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS BEAT UNITED SERVICES.

Despite the wet weather, the Volunteers met the United Services at cricket on the Club ground yesterday when they won by 8 wickets.

The Services batted first and thanks to a fine knock for 83 by Lt. Musson, the Artillery stalwart, they declared at 173 for 8.

The Volunteers started none too well but later Mitchell (80) and Beck (70 not out) engaged in a big partnership and eventually won the game for them by 8 wickets.

The scores were:—

Services.	
Lt. Cdr. Skyrme, c. McLellan, b. Beck	19
Lt. Whiteway-Wilkinson, c. F. S. W. Smith, b. Beck	4
Price, c. L. B. Smith, b. McLellan	8
Lt. Musson, c. L. B. Smith, b. McLellan	83
Lt. Hamilton, b. McLellan	13
Lt. Anstruther, b. Beck	6
Capt. Burnett, c. Griffiths, b. F. S. W. Smith	17
Spr. Sadd, b. McLellan	10
Lt. Villiers, not out	10
Extras	10
Total (for 8 wickets, dec.)	173

Stephens and Cate did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.	
O. M. R. W.	
Beck	16 5 37 3
McLellan	10 3 35 4
Baker	3 0 24 0
F.S.W. Smith	5 1 14 1
L. B. Smith	2 0 15 0

Volunteers.

H. J. Armstrong, c. Stephens, b. Hamilton	2
N. A. E. Mackay, b. Hamilton	21
E. J. R. Mitchell, b. Hamilton	86
A. C. Beck, not out	79
Extras	9
Total (for 3 wickets)	197

L. B. Smith, F. S. W. Smith, D. McLellan, W. D. Foley, R. H. Griffiths, P. Baker and R. M. Wood did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.	
O. M. R. W.	
Hamilton	10 1 44 3
Stephens	4 0 25 0
Musson	5 0 46 0
Anstruther	4 0 35 0
Cate	3 0 22 0
Burnett	1 0 16 0

INTER-CLUB TEAMS FOR SATURDAY.

The following teams will play on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground at 2.00 p.m. sharp on Saturday:—

Machine Gun Company:—E. J. R. Mitchell (Captain), H. Owen Hughes, A. C. Beck, O. E. C. Marton, S. V. Gittins, W. D. Foley, R. M. Wood, L. D. Kilbee, B. L. Stock, J. R. Ratien, A. H. Harbord.

Rest of the Club:—A. Reid (Captain), E. R. Duckitt, R. R. Davies, J. B. Davis, C. E. Gahan, R. P. Edwards, H. J. Armstrong, F. A. M. Elliott, R. S. W. Patterson, H. S. F. Ewin, D. S. Robb.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S SHIELD AND LEAGUE FIXTURES.

Three Junior Shield matches and a number of League games are included in the football programme for Saturday. The Senior Shield games are postponed.

The following is the full programme:—

Junior Shield.

R.A.F. v. Navy, Recreation ground, Referee: Mr. Lawrence.
12th Batt. v. R.A.O.C., Sookun po, Referee: Mr. Ford.
Kowloon v. S. W. Borderers, Kowloon ground, Referee: Mr. Pooley.

Kick-off will be at 2.45 p.m., and extra time will be played if necessary.

League—Division I.

(Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.)
Kowloon v. S.W. Borderers (of 12.32), Kowloon ground, Referee: E. R. A. Anderson.
Navy v. St. Joseph's, Navy ground, Referee: Sgt. Caswell.

Division III.

R.E. v. R.A.F. (of 14.11.31), Chatham Road, Referee: Mr. Nosworthy.
S.W. Borderers v. Recreation (of 23.11.31), Sookunpo, Referee: Mr. Cull.

DIANA BAY WINS CHAMPIONS AGAIN.

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Betting.

Winner, Place.	
Wild Life (Tung)	200
Doctor's Mandate (Wong)	273

Gay Crusader (Heard) 81 124

Sadko (Dallas) 435 401

9.—Sports Club Cup and Hong Kong Stakes.

Mr. H. S. Chan's Racing Boy (Mr. Chang) 1

Messrs. Lowcock and Lee's Ristie (Mr. Quincey) 2

Mr. E. L. Hosie's Philanderer (Mr. Clark) 3

Won by three lengths; the same between second and third.

Time: 3 mins. 15.3 secs.

Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$7.30.

Places: \$6.40; \$6.20; \$7.60.

Betting.

Winner, Place.	
Ristie (Quincey)	638 1,056

The Crook (G. Rosa) 34 95

Mellguards (Parkin) 2 18

Racing Boy (Chang) 2,490 2,912

High Jinks (Liang) 3 12

Fighting Blood (Rotho) 18 76

Cy-Fra (Wong) 377 416

Philanderer (Clark) 304 483

Valetta (Noronha) 4 18

Holvellyn (Botelho) 11 82

Gallant Fox (McCann) 20 92

Valley Hall (Dallas) 60 160

Ohu Quan (Li) 125 200

Estrellita (Noodt) 12 107

Gold Cup (Tung) 37 79

10.—Shanghai Plate.

Messrs. Kong Bros. Meridian Star (Mr. Li) 1

Mr. Chan Tin Son's Workable Stag (Mr. Frost) 2

Mr. Dynasty's King Parade (Mr. Chang) 3

Won by a length; three quarters of a length between second and third.

Time: 2 mins. 42.4 secs.

Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$16.60.

Places: \$6.40; \$7.00; \$6.60.

Betting.

Winner, Place.	
The Lion (Liang)	10 36

Myrtle Leaf (Wong) 21 55

Doveron (Clark) 1,113 1,315

Navy Hall (Dallas) 113 193

The Shoveller (Butler) 4 25

Workable Stag (Frost) 565 920

King's Parade (Chang) 920 1,153

Tiolo (Botelho) 10 55

Michael Guy (Harriman) 6 42

Meridian Star (Li) 355 1,359

11.—Northern Stakes.

Mr. F. M. L. Soares' Buchanan (Mr. Chang) 1

Mr. A. M. L. Soares' Golden Arrow (Mr. Noodt) 2

Mr. L.T.F.'s Gold Bar (Mr. Tung) 3

Mr. E. L. Hosie's Pathfinder (Mr. Frost) 4

Won by two lengths and a half; a neck between second and third.

Time: 3 mins. 7.4 secs.

Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$26.60.

Places: \$7.70; \$16.60; \$5.50 and \$6.00.

Betting.

Winner, Place.	
Gold Bar (Tung)	1,454 1,754

Golden Arrow (Mr. Noodt) 58 152

Amoy (G. Rosa) 124 203

Movie Star (Proulx) 15 34

Echo (McCann) 170 270

Gay Fox (Noronha) 3 10

Flying Star (Rafack) 5 28

Pathfinder (Wong) 625 843

Banjo (Heard) 48 132

White Label (Benham) 2 18

Flying Eagle (Parkin) 3 19

Much Ado (Frost) 158 205

Buchanan (Chang) 621 665

Diplodocus (Dallas) 21 53

Helter Skelter (Clark) 146 190

The Wrekin (Fawcett) 1 14

Until Then (Miles) 2 11

Public Money (Li) 148 200

Amon (Harriman) 93 145

Friar John (Charles) 2 21

12.—Consolation Stakes.

Mr. Dynasty's Helman (Mr. Chang) 1

Mr. Eve's Coronation Eve (Mr. Heard) 2

Mr. L.T.F.'s Gold Key (Mr. Tung) 3

Won by one length and a half; the same between second and third.

Time: 3 mins. 13.2 secs.

Parimutuel:—

Winner: \$16.60.

Places: \$6.20; \$5.70; \$5.40.

Betting.

Winner, Place.	
Gold Key (Tung)	956 894

Fortune Bag (McCann) 331 237

Wonderful Stag (Butler) 8 27

Coronation Eve (Heard) 770 477

Nippon (White) 42 83

Why Worry (Proulx) 4 39

Forthright (Chang) 1,665 1,669

Windom Stag (Frost) 193 207

CASH SWEEPS.

Race 1.

No. 593	\$979.65
598	270.60
903	130.80

Unplaced:—Nos. 243, 453, 394, 310, 494, 08, 377, 138, 330, 188, 488, 529, 41, 182, 878, 73, 5.

Race 2.

No. 278	\$1,370.00
300	360.00
540	182.80

Unplaced:—Nos. 10, 104, 129, 42, 607, 337, 190, 600, 104, 594, 357, 83.

Race 3.

No. 574	\$1,682.80
352	480.00
181	240.40

Unplaced:—Nos. 561, 643, 73, 105.

Race 4.

No. 315	\$1,667.00
439	476.00
389	336.80

Unplaced:—Nos. 639, 674, 517, 582, 620, 527, 140, 468.

Race 5.

No. 617	\$1,733.40
550	192.40
588	246.80

Unplaced:—Nos. 418, 602, 173, 410, 357, 185, 524, 344, 554, 493, 42.

Race 6.

No. 548	\$2,320.00
745	748.80
478	374.40

Unplaced:—Nos. 448, 72, 493, 496, 381, 308.

Race 7.

No. 689	\$3,018.40
627	982.40
1045	431.20

Unplaced:—Nos. 883, 952, 191, 1083, 126, 358, 949, 32.

Race 8.

No. 3227	\$2,280.40
211	5,794.40
78	2,897.20

Unplaced:—Nos. 2227, 1651, 452, 1331, 2036, 1340, 2222, 1273, 1376, 2614, 1436, 1084, 3180, 622, 3318, 1299, 2945, 1494, 3374, 3112, 476, 3287, 3448, 374, 3013 at \$128.80 each.

Race 9.

No. 1096	\$3,300.00
139	602.00
573	490.00

Unplaced:—Nos. 1143, 680, 990, 250, 604, 233, 1085, 987, 464, 1115, 779, 1240.

Race 10.

No. 909	\$3,459.40
219	983.40
741	494.20

Unplaced:—Nos. 1134, 244, 632, 183, 671, 731, 895.

Race 11.

No. 657	\$3,432.60
171	623.60
2541	230.90

Unplaced:—Nos. 437, 783, 635, 246

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THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the EIGHTEENTH day of MARCH, 1932, at 11.30 in the forenoon immediately after the Annual General Meeting of the Company, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:—

1. That the authorised Capital of the Company (which is now \$10,000,000 divided into 1,000,000 Shares of \$10.00 each, of which the whole have been issued) be increased from \$10,000,000.00 consisting as aforesaid to \$15,000,000.00 (consisting of 1,500,000 Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each) by the creation of 500,000 New Shares of the nominal value of \$10.00 each.

2. That in the first instance 200,000 of the said New Shares be offered at par (in the proportion of one New Share for every five Old Shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the eighteenth day of March, 1932, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the 1,000,000 Old Shares and so that on acceptance of such offer the full nominal amount due in respect of such 200,000 New Shares shall be payable on the 30th day of June, 1932, and that on acceptance of such offer and on payment in manner aforesaid such shares so taken up shall rank as such from the 1st day of July, 1932, for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued Capital, and that any of the said 200,000 New Shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's Shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of at such time or times in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors shall think fit.

3. That such offer be made by notices specifying the number of shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted by the Member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date or dates as they may think fit.

4. That the balance of 300,000 Shares constituting the Company's unissued Capital be issued at such time or times in such manner and upon such terms and conditions in every respect as the Company's Board of Directors may decide.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the before mentioned Extraordinary General Meeting will be continued for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

5. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

(a) By the insertion immediately after Article No. 125 of the existing Articles of Association of the "two following new Articles to be known as Articles 126A and 126B."

"126A. Each Director who is a 'registered' holder in his own right of not less than 25,000 Shares in the Capital of the Company shall have the power to nominate any person approved for that purpose by a majority of the other Directors of the Company to act 'as an alternate Director, in his place, during his absence from the Colony of Hong Kong or inability to act through illness as such Director, and at his discretion to remove such alternate Director, and on any such appointment being made, the alternate Director shall be subject in all respect to the terms and conditions existing with reference to the other Directors of the Company, and any alternate Director while acting in the place of an absent Director, shall exercise and discharge all the duties and functions of the Director he represents, but shall not be entitled to claim remuneration from the Company. Provided always that it shall be a condition precedent to the exercise of the power of appointment herein contained and the continuance of the appointment hereunder that the Director exercising the same shall be, at the time of making such appointment and shall continue to be, so long as the said appointment continues, the registered holder in his own right of not less than 25,000 Shares in the Capital of the Company. Every appointment made in pursuance of this Article shall be in writing under the hand of the Director making the same."

(b) By deletion of the words "One thousand Dollars" contained partly in the third and partly in the fourth lines of Article 96 of the Company's Articles of Association and the substitution therefor of the words "Five thousand Dollars."

By Order of the Board of Directors
F. H. CRAPNELL
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th Feb. 1932.

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"126B. Any instrument appointing an alternate Director in pursuance of Article 126A of these Articles shall be as nearly as circumstances will admit in the following form or to the effect following:—"

AS WITNESS my hand this..... day of One thousand nine hundred and thirty.....

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at Noon at the same place on the Fourth day of April, 1932, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the last above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit as a Special Resolution the before mentioned resolution numbered 5 herein.

Dated this 27th day of January, 1932.
By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
[1749]

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED IN HONGKONG)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong), on FRIDAY, the 18th day of MARCH, 1932, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1931, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 2nd March, 1932, until Friday, the 18th March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 27th Jan 1932. [1748]

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on WEDNESDAY, 2nd MARCH, 1932, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd FEBRUARY to 2nd MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. MANUE,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 15th Feb. 1932. [1878]

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS of this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. at 12.30 p.m. on Friday, the 20th day of February, 1932, when the following resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 11th day of February, 1932, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

(a) By deletion of the words "One thousand Dollars" contained partly in the third and partly in the fourth lines of Article 96 of the Company's Articles of Association and the substitution therefor of the words "Five thousand Dollars."

By Order of the Board of Directors
F. H. CRAPNELL
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th Feb. 1932.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1932.

27th FEBRUARY, 1932.

ON Saturday 27th, Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th, and Wednesday 30th February, the first race will be run at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday the 27th February, the first race will be run at 1 p.m., and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m. The time interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSEURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax or \$40.00 including tax for the whole of the race meeting (as the case may be) to be obtained through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all charges, etc. Enclosures will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

A limited number of Tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$4.00 per day including tax for all persons, including ladies and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax. Bookmakers, who do not, etc., will not be permitted to enter within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th February, 1932.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 27th FEBRUARY, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 18th FEBRUARY to MONDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 10th Feb. 1932. [1850]

HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES

will be held at the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, the 2nd MARCH, 1932, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at noon on THURSDAY, the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1932, at the Hon. Secretary's Office, 11, Queen's Road, Central, but intending Exhibitors are requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

Members who have not yet paid their subscription and who wish to JOIN the Society are requested to send \$5.00 immediately to the Undersecretary.

J. T. BAGRAW,
Hon. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1932, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1931, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th MARCH, 1932 to 23rd MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 17th Feb. 1932. [1838]

TRADE STATISTICS FOR JANUARY.

MONTHLY FLUCTUATIONS.

(Continued from Page 7.)

Since January of 1931 total imports of Merchandise into Hong Kong have fluctuated from the lowest dollar value (\$4.1 millions) in January 1932 to the highest (\$71.8 millions) in March 1931.

Exports have fluctuated from \$37.7 millions in February 1931 to \$54.4 millions in March 1931. The figures are given below with the sterling equivalents, at average rates of exchange, in brackets:—

(000s. omitted.)

	Imports	Exports
January	\$30,569 (23,992)	\$47,975 (38,361)
February	\$30,569 (23,992)	\$37,781 (30,263)
March	\$71,773 (58,434)	\$54,484 (43,987)
April	\$54,701 (43,987)	\$48,030 (38,781)
May	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
June	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
July	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
August	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
September	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
October	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
November	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
December	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)
January	\$53,117 (42,563)	\$48,030 (38,781)

Mean rate of exchange for January 1932, H.K.\$ = 1s. 4.15/16d.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 27th FEBRUARY, 1932, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from Monday, the 15th February to Saturday, the 27th February, 1932, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 8th Feb. 1932. [1786]

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE MATHESON & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, the 10th MARCH, 1932, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY the 1st MARCH, 1932, to THURSDAY, the 10th MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1932. [1855]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 27th DAY of FEBRUARY, 1932, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Wong Nei Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Reg. No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square Feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	100	At the foot of the hill, near the old cemetery, between the old cemetery and the old cemetery.	Approx. 100 ft. by 100 ft.	10,000	\$100	\$1,000

(Continued on next column.)

VALUES BY COUNTRIES.

The total values of imports and exports of merchandise are shown below by countries, the figures for January 1932 being given in brackets:—

	Imports	Exports
U.K.	6,679,630 (7,331,349)	365,994 (441,665)
Australia	505,439 (334,673)	130,307 (166,943)
Burma	298,470 (439,170)	126,031 (186,675)
Canada	756,883 (486,638)	230,394 (361,234)
Ceylon	14,330 (12,536)	78,220 (87,196)
E. Africa	36,393 (3,555)	23,130 (18,364)
Egypt	67,348 (16,348)	297,402 (40,415)
India	1,465,230 (960,637)	247,950 (320,460)
New Zealand	24,916 (22,397)	31,741 (38,460)
B.N. Borneo	148,000 (323,497)	112,300 (180,161)
S. Africa	68,967 (2,450)	68,967 (73,778)
Straits	268,298 (1,190,531)	2,937,028 (8,249,844)
W. Africa	—	2,310 (—)
W. Indies	—	5,510 (—)
B.E. Other	52,681 (308,106)	44,574 (97,374)
Belgium	1,023,782 (6,718,398)	5,887 (22,363)
China North	6,132,236 (4,164,468)	4,164,468 (2,715,663)
China Middle	1,139,086 (1,043,347)	2,715,663 (3,832,007)
China South	7,508,504 (9,601,132)	14,829,726 (14,165,497)
Cuba	349 (—)	2,320 (—)
C. America	—	26,644 (153,022)
Denmark	41,365 (3,522)	11,484 (480)
France	282,353 (207,226)	5,588 (57,138)
Indo-China	4,533,346 (2,654,764)	2,404,305 (3,907,915)
Germany	1,693,593 (1,736,250)	235,994 (76,645)
Holland	714,865 (202,238)	110,857 (31,396)
Italy	248,123 (547,274)	3,438 (7,228)
Japan	1,322,873 (3,187,504)	1,466,708 (2,687,426)
K. C. Wan	816,491 (1,012,473)	1,135,365 (2,315,505)
Macao	902,257 (1,176,796)	1,764,897 (1,694,362)
Norway	122,923 (11,744)	13,278 (462)
N.E. Indies	6,888,973 (8,602,742)	948,283 (1,546,285)
Philippines	23,385 (127,504)	1,076,248 (948,970)
Siam	4,752,124 (3,148,685)	1,113,402 (1,644,972)
S. America	—	51,464 (—)
Sweden	10,408 (38,578)	127,077 (4,666)
Switzerland	66,219 (130,864)	450 (—)
Spain	11,572 (3,836)	17,325 (—)
U.S.A.	4,051,722 (5,283,983)	1,422,500 (2,446,909)
Others	721,185 (102,187)	83,363 (243,717)

COMMODITY FIGURES.

(000s. omitted.)

The total values by main groups of commodities, with the figures for January, 1932, in brackets are given below:—

	Imports	Exports
Animals Live	1,244 (1,076)	36 (25)
Building Materials	1,067 (1,332)	913 (684)
Chemicals and Drugs	644 (687)	246 (283)
Chinese Medicines	1,006 (1,006)	1,327 (1,373)
Dyeing Materials	599 (506)	448 (533)
Foodstuffs	14,970 (19,208)	16,108 (18,501)
Fuels	1,482 (960)	228 (277)
Hardware	423 (427)	303 (348)
Liquor	306 (440)	96 (215)
Machinery and Engines	606 (1,272)	94 (97)
Metals	3,847 (3,812)	2,249 (3,339)
Minerals and Ores	15 (248)	61 (102)
Nuts and Seeds	647 (681)	599 (739)
Oil and Fats	6,768 (5,779)	2,277 (4,203)
Paints	197 (156)	249 (267)
Piece Goods	10,393 (10,393)	3,890 (5,211)
Railway Materials	13 (54)	44 (49)
Tobacco	893 (1,445)	941 (773)
Treasure	1,530 (5,393)	4,121 (10,645)
Vehicles	427 (546)	430 (544)

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

No change, and only two sales officially reported.

Sales.

Hotels (Old), \$13.

Government Loans, 4 per cent. premium.

Buyers.

Union Insurance, \$405.

Hotels (Old), \$13.

Chinese Estates, \$95.

Singapore Tractions (Prof.), 14/-.

Amusements, \$194.

Government Loans, 3 per cent. premium.

Sellers.

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,330.

Docks, \$80.

China Lights (Old), \$21.

Wearing Apparel 218 (507)

Sundries 247 (511)

Bags 1,015 (1,053)

Electrical Apparatus 247 (511)

Hides 185 (294)

Leather (all kinds) 445 (448)

Paper 1,247 (1,074)

Matchboxes 188 (390)

Manures 458 (943)

Others 4,457 (3,905)

Total 58,617 (64,832)

49,408 (58,621)

EXPECTED ARRIVALS AND MOVEMENTS.

Anchises, due from Europe March 21.
 Antenor, due from Europe April 1.
 Arizona Maru from Japan due March 6.
 Bremerhaven due March 4 from New Guinea ports.
 Calching due from Europe Feb. 27.
 Changie from Australia due April 12.
 Chichibu Maru, from Japan March 5.
 Conte Rosso from Port Said due March 4.
 D'Artagnan from Japan and Shanghai due March 1.
 Emp. of Asia, due from Vancouver March 17.
 Emp. of Japan from Manila due Feb. 25.
 Felix Rousset from Saigon due March 2.
 Glaucus, due from America March 11.
 Haldora due Feb. 28, from Japan and Shanghai.
 Haruna Maru from Japan due March 4.
 Ixion, due from Vancouver March 12.
 Kidderpore from Japan due Feb. 27.
 Kitano Maru due from Australia Feb. 26.
 Nagara due from Europe March 17.
 Naldora due Feb. 28, from Japan Nankin from Australia and Manila March 5.
 Patroclus due from Europe March 4.
 Philoctetes due from Europe Feb. 27.
 Pres. Lincoln from Manila due Feb. 29.
 Pres. Polk from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai due March 5.
 Pres. Taft due Feb. 26 from U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai.
 Pyrrhus due from Europe March 13.
 Rajputana due from Europe Feb. 25.
 Rakuyo Maru due from South America Feb. 25.
 Sanning, from Swatow and Shanghai due Feb. 26.
 Taiping due from Australia March 5.
 Tergeten from Colombo due March 5.
 Troilus due from Europe March 19.

ARRIVALS.

February 23.

Bencleuch, British str., 3,293 tons, Capt. Anderson, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 Chungking, British str., 1,310 tons, Capt. J. R. Nisbet, from Dairen, buoy No. C2—B. & S.
 Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. K. Dahl, from Saigon, buoy No. B15—Yuen On S.N. Co.
 Cromer, Dutch str., 2,784 tons, Capt. G. J. Meppelink, from Swatow, buoy No. A13—J.C.J.L.
 Daifuku Maru, Japanese str., 2,357 tons, Capt. S. Kitamura, from Kamfa, buoy No. B28—M.B.K.
 Hamburg Maru, Japanese str., 3,150 tons, Capt. K. Ishimoto, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—O.S.K.
 Henrik, Norwegian str., 781 tons, Capt. J. Jorgensen, from Canton, buoy No. B12—Thoresen & Co.
 Hiroshi Maru No. 3, Japanese str., 664 tons, Capt. Y. Okada, from Keelung, Yaumati Anchorage—M.B.K.
 Horyang, British str., 1,359 tons, Capt. G. R. Gay Cuming, from Canton, buoy No. B2—J.M. & Co.
 Phasianella, British str., 393 tons, Capt. R. D. Binks, from Amoy, Tai Kock Tsui Anchorage—A.P.C.
 Shantung, Swedish str., 3,662 tons, Capt. H. W. Borin, from Manila, Holt's Wharf—Gilman & Co.
 Totai Maru, Japanese str., 1,963 tons, Capt. Shioyashi, from Sakito, buoy No. B23—M.B.K.



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Pres. Wilson ... Mar. 19

Pres. Madison ... Mar. 29

Pres. Harrison ... Apr. 9

Pres. Adams ... Mar. 20, 8 a.m.

Pres. Wilson ... Mar. 22, 6 p.m.

Pres. Condlidge ... Mar. 23, 6 p.m.

Pres. Madison ... Mar. 24, 6 p.m.

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Foochow, Shanghai & Daint	"LUOHOW"	On 25th Feb.	5 p.m.
SANTAO & Daint	"CHINEUA"	On 25th Feb.	5 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KIUNGHOOW"	On 25th Feb.	5 p.m.
Shanghai	"CHONGKING"	On 27th Feb.	5 p.m.
Foochow, Chefoo & Tientsin	"LIANGCHOW"	On 27th Feb.	5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tientsin	"SINKIANG"	On 28th Feb.	10 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	"ANSUN"	On 28th Feb.	Noon
Amoy, Swatow & Singapore	"ANTUNG"	On 29th Feb.	5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tientsin	"KANOHOW"	On 1st Mar.	10 a.m.
Santon	"CHEKIANG"	On 2nd Mar.	D.L.
Amoy & Shanghai	"TSINAN"	On 2nd Mar.	5 p.m.
Wenhaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin	"HUICHOW"	On 4th Mar.	10 a.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & Tientsin	"SZRUHUN"	On 6th Mar.	10 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	"KINGYUAN"	On 11th Mar.	5 p.m.

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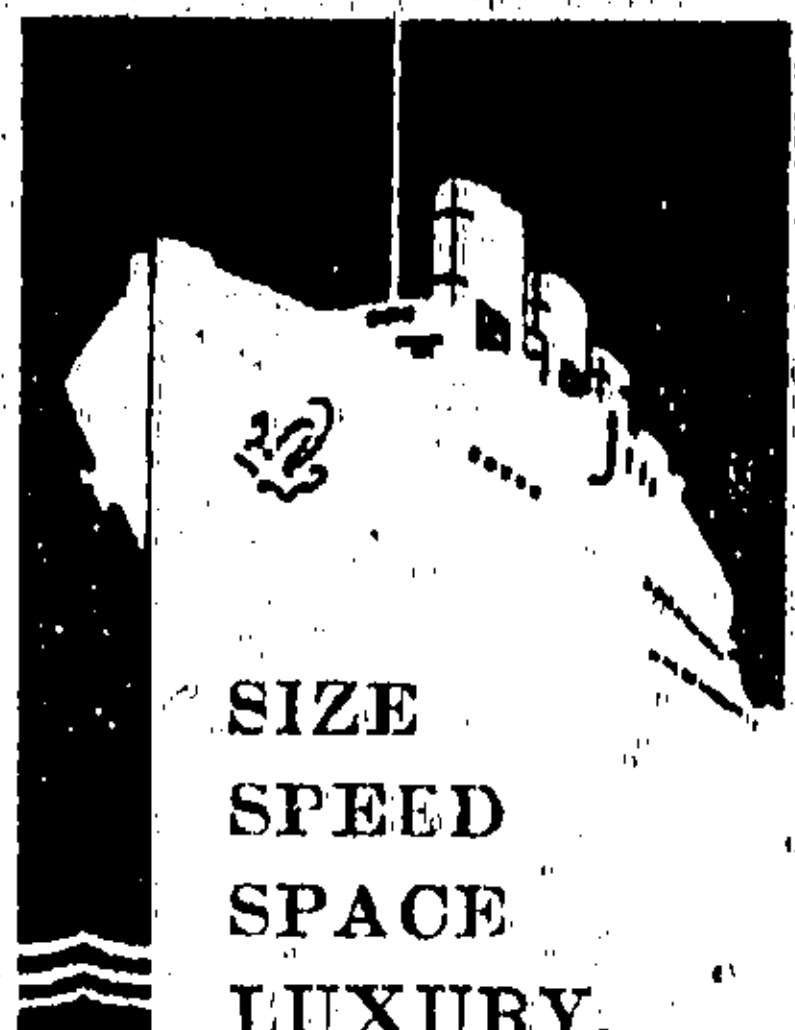
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STATION	HONG KONG Standard Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	WIND Direction (Force)	WIND Direction (Force)		HONG KONG Standard Time	BAROMETER AT SEA LEVEL		TEMPERATURE	WIND Direction (Force)	WIND Direction (Force)		HONG KONG Standard Time										
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Vladivostok...	12	30.39	771.9	21	...	N	5	b	4	30.43	772.9	10	...	N	2	...	0	b	4						
Nemuro...	11	29.92	761.5	...	...	N	1	...	...	29.92	767.5	...	...	N	1	...	2	...	...						
Hokkaido...	...	29.93	761.5	...	...	NE	1	2	...	29.96	761.0	...	...	NNW	1	...	0	...	...						
Tokio...	...	29.90	759.5	...	...	NNW	3	...	...	30.14	765.5	...	...	W	1	...	0	...	...						
Kochi...	...	30.14	765.5	...	...	W	1	...	...	30.30	769.5	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...						
Nagasaki...	...	30.24	763.0	...	...	NNW	1	1	...	30.26	768.0	...	...	NE	1	...	4	...	...						
Kagoshima...	...	30.18	763.5	...	...	NW	1	...	...	30.20	767.0	...	...	NE	1	...	1	...	...						
Oshima...	...	30.14	765.5	...	...	N	2	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	SSE	1	...	1	...	...						
Naha...	...	30.10	764.0	...	...	NNE	6	6	...	30.00	762.0	...	...	SE	1	...	2	...	...						
Ishigakijima...	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	NE	2	...	...	30.00	762.0	...	...	SE	1	...	1	...	...						
Bonin Island...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	NE	1	1	...	30.00	762.0	...	...	N	1	...	6	...	...						
Chefoo...	13	29.58	756.8	23	8	N	8	o	5	30.51	775.0	25	6	N	6	o	5	...	...						
Shanghai...	14	30.39	772.9	43	6	NE	4	o	7	30.39	771.8	26	4	NNW	2	o	7	...	...						
Gutzlaff...	...	30.40	772.1	45	6	NNE	4	o	...	30.41	772.9	38	4	N	4	o	...	...	...						
Wenchow...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Foochow...	...	30.13	765.3	56	6	E	4	o	7	30.12	765.0	54	6	E	4	o	7	...	...						
Amoy...	...	30.12	765.0	58	8	E	4	b	6	30.12	765.0	56	6	E	4	...	2	...	...						
Swatow...	...	30.09	764.4	61	...	E	4	b	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Taihou...	11	8.16	768.0	67	...	E	4	b	...	...	763.1	61	...	NW	2	o	7	...	...						
Taihu...	...	30.06	763.8	64	...	...	...	...	...	30.04	763.8	59	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Tainan...	...	30.05	763.2	77	...	SSE	2	bo	...	30.01	763.3	61	...	N	2	o	7	...	...						
Koshun...	...	30.04	763.0	74	...	N	6	bo	...	29.99	761.8	63	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Pasadores...	...	30.09	761.1	65	...	NNE	6	o	...	30.04	763.0	68	...	NNE	6	o	7	...	...						
Hong Kong...	14	30.00	762.0	62	6	E	6	o	6	30.00	762.0	59	6	E	6	o	5	...	...						
Gap Road...	...	30.00	762.0	67	7	E	6	o	...	29.97	761.2	67	7	E	6	o	5	...	...						
Macao...	...	29.97	761.3	68	6	E	6	o	...	29.96	761.9	59	4	E	6	o	5	...	...						
Hoihow...	...	29.94	760.5	56	1	SSE	2	o	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Pratas Island...	...	29.97	761.2	74	8	E	4	o	6	29.95	760.8	70	8	E	4	o	4	...	...						
Phulien...	15	29.87	758.7	70	6	E	4	o	7	29.92	760.0	64	4	E	4	o	4	...	...						
Tourane...	...	29.88	758.9	78	6	NNW	3	o	...	29.87	758.6	72	5	SSE	1	o	...	...	...						
Cape St. James...	...	29.90	759.4	79	6	E	2	bc	...	29.91	759.8	78	6	E	4	o	3	...	...						
Dasco...	14	29.88	760.3	74	8	E	4	bo	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Apurri...	...	29.81	759.7	78	6	NNN	4	o	...	29.83	760.2	67	6	W	2	o	2	...	...						
Tuguegarao...	...	29.81	759.0	83	8	N	2	bo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Vigan...	...	29.80	757.0	88	8	NW	4	b	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Manila...	...	29.77	756.3	84	8	E	4	bc	...	29.89	759.3	72	6	...	...	0	...	...	...						
Legaspi...	...	29.82	757.4	86	8	NE	2	b	...	29.88	768.3	76	6	NNN	2	o	2	...	...						
Calbayog...	...	29.83	757.6	86	8	N	4	bo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Tacloban...	...	29.81	757.1	88	8	E	2	bo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Boho...	...	29.78	756.4	85	8	NE	4	bc	...	29.88	767.7	72	4	NNN	4	o	...	...	...						
Cebu...	...	29.78	756.5	86	8	NE	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Surigao...	...	29.80	756.8	83	8	N	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Saipan...	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	29.75	756.6	75	...	NNN	2	o	2	...	...						
Guam...	12.22	29.79	757.7	...	6	NE	4	bo	4.22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...						
Yap...	11.00	29.75	755.6	...	6	NNN	4	bo	5	29.80	757.0	75	...	N	2	o	2	...	...						
Pelew...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.79	756.5	75	...	NE	2	o	2	...	...						
Labuan...	14	29.95	760.7	79	6	N	8	c	6	29.90	759.5	72	1	N	...	...	...	...	...						



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Mar. 19	Mar. 20	Mar. 21	Mar. 22	Mar. 23	Mar. 24	Mar. 25	Mar. 26
Mar. 27	Mar. 28	Mar. 29	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	Apr. 1	Apr. 2	Apr. 3
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KAGA MARU ... Friday, 11th Mar.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,
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BAKUO MARU ... Thursday, 17th Mar.

NEW YORK, BOSTON via PANAMA.

† TOBA MARU ... Monday, 11th Apr.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Stamboul
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† LYONS MARU ... Monday, 14th Mar.

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† NAGATO MARU ... Tuesday, 8th Mar.

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Shipping News

Daily Statement. Clearances,
Ships In Harbour, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 20,907 TONS
THROUGH CARGO
22,008 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Har-
bour Office, of vessels carrying cargo
to the Colony during the 24 hours
ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Cargo for Through

British H.K. Ports.

Sirdhana, Osaka 538 805

Bencleuch, Middlesex 950 2,707

Hongkheung, Rangoon 1,100 1,000

Taiyuan, Canton — 500

Kaying, Haiphong 2,145 867

Yingchow, Canton — 1,700

Hopang, Canton — 138

Phasianella, Amoy 9 —

Wing Lee, Tehekam 400 —

Kittawa, Hong Kong — 332

American, Pres. Lincoln, New York 973 1,650

Danish, Clara Jensen, Saigon 2,480 —

Norwegian, Graciosa, Bangkok 2,950 —

Henrik, Canton — 100

Swedish, Shantung, Gothenburg 800 5,700

Japanese, Sydney Maru, Yokohama 1,043 844

Daijufu Maru, P. Kama 4,100 —

Tatei Maru, Muroran 4,000 —

Hamburg Maru, Calcutta 1,000 6,459

Total 20,907 22,008

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought

Asiatic deck passengers to the

Colony during the 48 hours ended

at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Sirdhana (Br.) Osaka 2,380

Hongkheung (Br.) Rangoon 769

Taiyuan (Br.) Canton 230

Kaying (Br.) Haiphong 179

Wing Lee (Br.) Tehekam 19

Graciosa (Nor.) Bangkok 12

Total 3,520

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures dur-
ing the 24 hours ending at 9 a.m.
yesterday were:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	11	8
Danish	1	0
American	1	1
Norwegian	2	2
Swedish	1	1
Japanese	4	2
French	0	1
Total	20	15

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in

port yesterday:—

Basin—Tamar.

North Wall—Bridgewater, Mara-

zation.

South Wall—Taranata.

East Wall—Harold.

North Arm—Keppel, Wild Swan,

Whitehall.

Dock—Bruce, Pandora, Proteus

Buoy No. 1—Hermes.

Buoy No. 2—Medway and Sub-

marines.

Buoy No. 3—Cumberland.

Foreign—U.S. river gunboat

Mindanao.

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant vessels

were in port yesterday:—

Wharves.

Kowloon—Bencleuch, Vancouver

Maru, Pres. Lincoln, Hamburg

Maru, Glenlue, St. Bie.

Holt's—Shantung.

Socony—Laichikok: Royal Arrow,

China Merchants—Tai Poo Sek.

O.S.K.—Hozan Maru.

Douglas Lapraik—Haining.

Docks.

Kowloon—Limchow, Yuan Geng,

Shinyo Maru, Chipshing, Kutsang,

Emp. of Russia, Tai Lee, Halldor,

Pearl Shell, Kamona.

Taikee—Cupe St. Francis, Nan-

chang, Chusan, Tsang Woo, Tsinan,

Chekiang, Iris, Huichow, Solviken,

Cosmopolitan—Greyhound Castle.

Buoys.

No. A1—Tjisondani.

No. A2—Asama Maru.

No. A3—Hikawa Maru.

No. A4—Hongkheung.

No. A5—Sydney Maru.

No. A6—Mial Maersk.

No. A8—C.H. Riviere.

No. A12—Zuiko Maru.

No. A16—Cymer.

No. B2—Hopang.

No. B8—Kronviken.

No. B9—Rachind.

No. B10—Graciosa.

No. B11—Hirundo.

No. B12—Henrik.

No. B13—Tuscaloosa City.

No. B14—Taiyuan.

No. B15—Anshun.

No. B16—Ivemoon.

No. B17—Shun Chih.

No. B18—Clara Jensen.

No. B20—Kaying.

No. B21—Lingchow.

No. D25—Saint Andrew.

No. B26—Tatei Maru.

No. B27—Daijufu Maru.

No. C1—Red Flag.

No. C2—Yingchow.

No. C3—Tai Lee.

ARRIVALS.

February 23.

Kaying, British str., 1,273 tons,
Capt. P. Green, from Hoihow,
buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

February 24.

Alister, German str., 5,528 tons,
Capt. Hadden, from Singapore,
buoy No. A16.—Melchers & Co.

Canton Maru, Japanese str., 1,647
tons, Capt. Y. Iwasaki, from
Swatow, O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,293 tons,
Capt. E. Sannoda, from Canton,
O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Dorcy, Chinese str., 1,083 tons,
Capt. J. Bruhn, from Hoihow,
buoy No. C4.—Chun Yue Teng.

Graciosa, Norwegian str., 1,059 tons,
Capt. Markussen, from Bang-
kok, buoy No. B10.—Thoresen
& Co.

Haikang, British str., 1,363 tons,
Capt. Erwin, from Swatow,
Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.

Hangsang, British str., 1,356 tons,
Capt. A. D. Kelman, from
Swatow, Laichikok Anchorage.
—J.M. & Co.

Hongkheung, British str., 3,975 tons,
Capt. D. M. Hood, from Singa-
pore, buoy No. A4.—Ho
Thong & Co.

Kiungchow, British str., 1,545 tons,
Capt. R. Allinson, from Swa-
tow, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Kurumasan Maru, Japanese str.,
1,133 tons, Capt. S. Tamura,
from Shanghai, Yaumati An-
chorage.—M.B.K.

Niel Maersk, Danish str., 3,166 tons,
Capt. Anderson, from Manila,
buoy No. A5.—Jensen & Co.

Sinking, British str., 1,616 tons,
Capt. J. S. Anderson, from
Swatow, buoy No. B10.—B. & S.

Susana II, Chinese str., 2,440 tons,
Capt. A. Melander, from Amoy,
Cosmopolitan Dock.—Master.

Sydney Maru, Japanese str., 2,518
tons, Capt. N. Nakayama, from
Sakito, buoy No. A5.—O.S.K.

Taiyuan, British str., 2,100 tons,
Capt. W. T. Hodge, from Can-
ton, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

Touraine, Norwegian str., 3,991
tons, Capt. Bruhn, from Manila,
Kowloon Wharf.—Thoresen &
Co.

Yingchow, British str., 1,216 tons,
Capt. C. Harris-Walker, from
Canton, buoy No. C2.—B. & S.

CLEARANCES.

February 24.

Asama Maru, for Los Angeles.

Bueland, for Swatow.

Cremer, for Singapore.

Dorcy, for Whampoa.

Glenlue, for Shanghai.

Hallanger, for San Pedro.

Hamburg Maru, for Moji.

Henrik, for Tsingtao.

Hiroshi Maru No. 3, for Keelung.

Hopang, for Swatow.

Kiungchow, for Canton.

Lyeemoon, for Singapore.

Niel Maersk, for Shanghai.

Phasianella, for Swatow.

Shantung, for Shanghai.

Sirdhana, for Singapore.

Sunkiang, for Canton.

Taiyuan, for Amoy.

